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THE present Volume contains all that is known to exist of what may be termed the Burghal Legislation of Edinburgh, previous to the 23d of May 1528, at which date King James the Fifth assumed the reins of government. It was originally intended that the volume should come down to the commencement of the regular series of the Council Records in 1551, but the materials were found to be too ample to admit of that, and what remains must be reserved.

The present volume also contains extracts from old records of the City, which, though not of the nature of burghal legislation, are valuable as illustrating the social life and habits of the burgesses, the municipal arrangements, and the financial condition of the Scottish capital in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.

The materials for the work have been mainly gathered from the following sources :—

(1.) A volume in the archives of the City, numbered as the first of the series of the Council Minute Books, and containing a miscellaneous collection of Acts and Ordinances by the civic authorities, and other documents, transcribed from earlier records not now

existing. The contents are not chronologically arranged, but some of the entries go back as far as 1456. The volume is intituled,—"Breuis et Compendiosa Collectio veterum et maxime vtilium statutorum; ex antiquis libris curiæ Edinburgi." The collection appears to have been made about 1580, and all that it contains previous to 23d May 1528 is included in this work.

(2.) A volume of extracts from old records of the Burgh, many of which are not now extant. This volume is preserved in the Advocates' Library, and is marked 34 : 4 : 9. Its contents embrace a period extending from 1403 till 1579, and are arranged, not chronologically, but under a number of general heads. The collection appears to have been made about the time of its latest date, viz., 1579, and every entry in it previous to 23d May 1528 is given in the present volume.

(3.) A volume in the archives of the City, numbered as the first of the Register of Burgesses and Guild Brethren. It commences on 17th May 1487, and ends on 12th February 1579. All the Acts and Ordinances relating to the conditions of burgess-ship and guild brotherhood, previous to May 1528, are given in the present collection.

(4.) The Protocol Books of John Foular and Vincent Strathauchin, Depute Town-Clerks and Notaries of the Burgh. From these Protocol Books, which are preserved in the archives of the City, a selection has been made of entries which seemed to possess general interest, as throwing light on the history of the Burgh or on the habits of the citizens.

(5.) A volume in the archives of the City, intituled "Ane Inventar

of the whole wreats belonging to the Citie of Edinburgh, conteaning ther whole lands, customes, and priuiledges perteaning to theme; collected and digested be Maister Alexander Guthrie, Commone Clark to the said Citie, as they are conteaned in severall boxes of thair cabinetts presentlie sett up in thair chartour house." This Inventory bears to have been prepared in 1638.

(6.) A volume in the archives of the City, intituled "Inventory of Writs relating to the City, removed from the Charter-house to the Town-Clerk's office in 1653."

(7.) The Inventory of the Writings in the Charter-house of the City, consisting of six large folio volumes.

(8.) Original Seals of Cause granted by the Magistrates and Council to the various Incorporations, so far as these documents are still existing, and access could be got to them. Several of these are recorded in the volumes first and second above referred to; but where access could be had to the originals, the print has been carefully collated with them.

It is much to be regretted that the Charters and Records of these old Incorporations are not more accessible. They contain not only an immense amount of curious and valuable information as to the life of the craftsmen and the general history of the City, but are invaluable as authoritative sources of information in regard to family history. The founders of no inconsiderable number of influential houses of the present day were craftsmen and merchants in Edinburgh; and it might form the subject of a legitimate ambition on the part of the members of the existing Incorporations, to have the records illustrative of their ancient history arranged and placed in

safe repositories, where, subject to proper supervision, the genealogical or historical inquirer might have reasonable facilities for examining them.

No one could wish or expect to have access to modern documents connected with the private affairs of the Incorporations; and regulations could easily be adopted to prevent any improper or ungrateful use of the ancient records of these bodies. It is to be feared, however, that the possibility of such abuse has operated against the carrying out, ere now, of some such measure as is here suggested. Presuming to some extent on his official position, the Editor of the present volume ventured in 1864 to call the attention of the office bearers of the several Incorporations to the importance of their ancient records, and to suggest that they should, as far as possible, be deposited in a central place for safe preservation, subject, if thought desirable, to the exclusive control of the respective bodies. His communication was in every case received most courteously, and if it did not immediately effect its object, it has not been wholly unproductive of good. The Editor has the gratification to know that, under the public-spirited direction of Convener Field, the Convenery are taking active steps to induce the several Incorporations to have their records arranged and properly preserved.

The Editor has to express his thanks to the Deacons and Clerks of the several Incorporations, whose Seals of Cause are printed in the present volume, for the uniform courtesy with which they allowed inspection of their earliest charters. In only one case was the request declined, obviously under a misapprehension, which the

publication of the present volume may help to remove, if, indeed, it has not already been dissipated by the good offices of the Committee of the Convenery.

In editing the present volume, reference has occasionally been made to Charters of the Burgh, and these have sometimes been used in verifying and correcting the tariffs of tolls and customs, and fixing their precise dates. It has not been considered expedient, however, to insert in the present collection any of the more important Charters of the City. These Charters require volumes for themselves, and it is in the highest degree creditable to the Corporation, which has contributed to the cost of the present work, that it has also authorised the earliest of its muniments to be arranged, transcribed, and printed, with a view to publication in a form befitting their importance and interest. Many valuable charters and documents, illustrative of the history of the Capital, have entirely disappeared; the effacing fingers of time are obliterating others; and every year's delay is adding to the difficulty of the work. Meanwhile, a chronological abstract of the charters of the Burgh, and relative documents, prior to 1528, is given in an Appendix, in the hope that it may throw some light on much in the present volume that would otherwise be obscure.

A chronological list of the Lord Provosts, Magistrates, and Officers of the burgh, compiled by the Editor from the oldest and most authentic existing records, and extending from 1296 to 1528, is also appended. In that list notes of charters and other documents have been inserted, which, it is hoped, may prove serviceable to those interested in the history of Edinburgh. The list cannot be

regarded as anything like complete; but it is given for what it is worth, and in the hope that other workers in the same field may kindly assist the Editor in supplementing it hereafter.

For the same reason, and in the like hope, there are appended lists of the Constables and Governors of the Castle, and of the Sheriffs of the County, of Edinburgh, so far as known, down to 1528. Lists of the Parliaments and General Councils of Scotland; of the Provincial Councils, &c., of the Scottish Clergy; and of the Conventions of the Royal Burghs of Scotland, held at Edinburgh previous to May 1528, are also appended.

The materials for a second volume of extracts from the Burgh Records of Edinburgh being complete, and in the hands of the printer, and the Corporation having generously consented to allow the Scottish Burgh Records Society to print, for the use of its members, the collection of the earliest Charters of the City which is now passing through the press, it has been considered advisable to postpone any historical Preface, so as to make it applicable both to the Charters and to the Burghal Records of the City.

A Table of Contents, stating the source from which every extract in the present volume is taken, is prefixed; and a Glossary, with a general Index, will be given with the second volume, which it is expected will be in the hands of the members in the course of three or four months.

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C. R.—Council Records of the City.

C. R. Adv. Lib.—Volumes of Extracts from the Records of the City preserved in the Advocates' Library, and marked 31—1—9.

Register of Burgesses, &c.—Register of Burgesses and Guild Brethren of the City, commencing 17th May 1487, and ending 12th February 1579.

Foular's Protocol.—Protocol Books of John Foular, Notary-Public of the Burgh, extending from 9th March 1500 to 3d October 1534; 4 volumes.

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Guthrie's Inventory.—Inventory of the whole Writs belonging to the City; "containing their whole Lands, Customs, and Privileges pertaining to them." Collected and digested by Mr Alexander Guthrie, Common Clerk, in 1688; 1 volume.

Inventory of Writs, 1653.—Inventory of Writs relating to the City, removed from the Charter-House to the Town Clerk's office in 1653; 1 volume.

Inventory of City Charters.—Inventory of the Writings in the Charter House of the City; 6 volumes.

Inventory of Documents, 1846.—Inventory of Ancient Documents belonging to the City, arranged and indexed in 1846; 2 volumes.

Reg. Mag. Sig.—Registrum Magni Sigilli, in the General Register House, Edinburgh.

Act. Dom. Con.—Acta Dominorum Concilii, in the General Register House, Edinburgh.

Balfour's Practicks.—Practicks, or a System of the more Ancient Law of Scotland, compiled by Sir James Balfour of Pettendreich, late President of the Court of Session, 1754.

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EXTRACTS

FROM THE

RECORDS OF THE BURGH OF EDINBURGH.

3rd October 1403.

PRIMA GILDA CAPITALIS post festum Beati Michaelis tenta in Pretorio burgi de Edinburgh, convocatis confratribus gilde et comparentibus, 3 Octobris 1403. Electi sunt officiarij gilde prout sequitur :— [Election of officers of the guild.]

[The first Head Guild, held after the Feast of Saint Michael, in the Tolbuith of the Burgh of Edinburgh, the brethren of the Guild being called, and compearing, 3d October 1403. The officers of the Guild were elected as follows:—]

Prepositus—ALEXANDER NAPER.
Decanus gilde et custoditor operis Ecclesie—Symon de Schele.
Ballivus de Leyth—Joannes Robertsoun.
Thesaurarius—Joannes Lamb.
Serviendi gilde—Willelmus Talzefer, Willelmus Davidsoun.
Appreciatores carnium—Willelmus Rynweh, Hugo Tod, Matheus Cloig.
Appreciatores vinj.—Willelmus Layng, Jacobus Robertsoun.
Duodene burgi.—William of Cranstoun, William of Libertoun, George

[Election of officers of the guild.] of Fawlow, William Cameroun, Adame Cant, William Bully, Th. of Prestoun, Sanders of Stanely, Adam of Carkettill, James of Boncle, Jh. of Cairnis, °Thom. Johnestoun, °Jh. Lamb, Rychert of Fairnly, °Laurence of Elphinstoun, °Watt Young, James of Lawder, Henry Diksoun, Nicol Spathy, °Thom. Smyth, °Jh. Wade, °Robyn Michelsoun, °Malcome Boyde, °James of Touris, °Androw Crawfurd, °David Lanerok, °William Rynd, °James of Schele, °Robyn of Prestoun, Jh. of Harlaw, °Will. Skynner, Sanders of Wod, °Jh. Howden, Will. of Sydeserfe, Th. Williamsoun, Jh. Hayne, James of Fyndguid, °Th. Quhyteloke, °Will. of Lawder, Jh. of Farnly of Irwyn, °Roᵗ. Merchell, °Robyn Blak, °Robyn of Wintoun, °James of Fowlfurde, °Will. of Carkettill. 45.

(This amang the lowse leiffes of gild courtes, and this leiff merket with (3.) I think thir (°) stands for thame that comperit and wes sworne.

Nota 1458. I fynd siclyke on the leiff merket with this nummer (4) amangs the lowse leiffes of gild courts, bot duodene ar bot 38.—*Transcriber.*)

17 *March* 1406-7.

A woman gilde. Item eodem die Alisona de Duscouˡˡ facta est soror gilde tanquam heres quondam Roberti Duscouˡˡ fratris sui. (Gild court leiffis merket with 7.—*Tr.*)

[Item, on the same day Alison de Duscouˡˡ is made sister of the guild, as heir of the late Robert Duscouˡˡ, her brother.

15 *November* 1407.

[Admission of gild brether.] Dyuers persouns maid gild brether for the dewty of x s. (This amang the leiffis of the gild court.—*Tr.*)

October 1416.

[Officers of the guild.] (In October 1416 the leif merket with (6) beris ;—aldermannus pro presenti anno, *one* dene of gild, *two* appreciatores vinj, *two* seriandi gilde, *four* appreciatores carnium, *one* bursator, *thirty two* of lie dusane.—*Tr.*)

October 1418.

[The Dusane.] (In October 1418, on the leiffes of the gild courts merket with (9), the dusane is callit " duodecim consules et limitatores."—*Tr.*)

October 1426.

(In October 1426 ane lowse leif merket with (5) beris and callis the dusane "duodene et limitatores terrarum burgi."—*Tr.*) [The Dusane.]

31 *December* 1428.

[In an Inventory of Writs removed from the Charter House to the Town Clerk's Office in 1653, reference is made (p. 94) to a Charter, granted by King James the First, under his Great Seal, whereby the King, with the consent of the burgesses and merchants of Edinburgh, statuted and ordained that "in augmentatioun of the fabrik and reparatioun of the port or herberie of Leith, thair sould be vplifted ane certane tax or toll of all schippes and boites entering thairin." The Charter is said to have been granted at Dunfermline of the above date. It is not now, however, in the archives of the City; it does not appear in the Register of the Great Seal; nor does it seem to be referred to in any of the other Inventories of the Charters of the Burgh.

The taxes or tolls granted by this Charter, and specified in the Inventory, are as follow :—]

[Toll of ships and boats at Leith.]

For ilk serplare of woll and skynes, of friemen of the Kingis burrowes	iiij	d.
And of strangers and vnfriemen	viij	d.
Of ilk tun, of friemen	iiij	d.
And of strangers and vnfriemen	viij	d.
And of all vther thingis, pock pack and barrell, proportionallie ansuerand to the serplare and to the tun		
Of ilk last of hydes, of friemen	xvj	d.
And of strangers and vnfriemen	xxxij	d.
Of ilk chalder of corne malt or salt	iiij	d.
Of the chalder of collis	j	d.
Of ilk tune of girnale guidis, of friemen	iiij	d.
And of strangers	viij	d.
Of ilk last of beare, meall, and hering	viij	d.
Of the last of tarr	iiij	d.
Of the hundreth burdis	viij	d.
Of the hundred bowstaves	iiij	d.
Of the last of maid irne	viij	d.

[Toll of ships and boats at Leith.]

Of the hundred plankis	viij	d.
And sua of vther lyke guidis		
Item of hulkis and foircastellit schippis that comes in the heavin	x	s.
Of ilk creare busche berge and ballinger . .	v	s.
Item of ilk farcost	xij	d.
Of ilk greate boate with victuall or vther goodis . .	vj	d.
Item of ilk small boate	ij	d.
And sua of vther lyke thingis		

1 *October* 1431.

Counsale convening.

Ordinatum est et assensum pro communi vtilitate quod si quis dicte duodene premunitus ad comparendum et non comparuerit nec licentiatus soluet proposito iiij d. pro absentia sua a consilio, leuandos per prepositum, et si non leuant prepositus et decani, persoluent pro illis iiij den. consortibus consilii ad vinum; et ista ordinatio stabit tantum pro anno. (Amang the leaffes of the gild courts.—*Tr.*)

[It is ordained and agreed, for the common advantage, that if any one of the said dusane be premonished to compear, and fail to compear, without leave of absence, he shall pay to the provost fourpence for his absence from the council, to be levied by the provost, and if the provost and deans do not levy it, they shall pay to their colleagues of the council for them fourpence for wine; and this ordinance shall stand for the year only.]

16 *March* 1431.

[See note by the original transcriber to the ordinance, dated 24th February 1436-7.]

18 *December* 1436.

Distributioun and byeing of the victuall command in at Leyth.

In the Tolbuith of Edinburgh xviij day of December the yeir of God j^{m} iiij^{c} xxxvj, It is ordanit for commoun profitt of the burgh that, after the cumming in of ony schip enteret in the tolbuith with quheit mele rye malt beir or any vitailes or vinouris, the alderman baillies and the counsale by this vitaile of rationable pryce as thai may, and syne distribute be twa distributaris sufficient to ansuer for thair deid to the commouns of the town, and gif ony takkis on hand to bye this vitaile of derrere pryce na is bidden for it in the tolbuith, without consent of the alderman bailyeis and counsale, the commouns sall haif it for the price competent as thai bye that tyme vther als guid, and as

wes biddin thairfor in the tolbuith, and thai byares sall pay the merchant as thai haif bocht at, and tyne thair fredome for a yeir. (Amang the lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

24 *February* 1436-7.

Closing of the commoun venell.

At Edinburgh in the Tolbuith the xxiiij day of Februar the yeir of God [j^{m} iiij^{c}] xxxvj, Be the counsale and communitie of this burch it is appointit consentit and ordanit that, for the commoun proffite of this towne, for till eschew apperand greitt skaith, that the commoune venell of the burgh be stekit and closit for a time on the commoun coste to be tane of the commoun purse; and ilka tenement sallbe closit behind and on his coste and thair cost that awe the land, and thairto sall contribute ilk ane man dwelland in the tenement as effeiris till him for his dwelling place. And this sall be done at the sicht and devyse of xij discrete men of the burch thairto chosin, and quha beis obstinate or inobedient to the fulfilling of this ordnance salbe compellit be thair guids to fulfil be the alderman baillies and counsale of the towne. Thir are the names of the men that ar ordanit to see the venell makin of the towne Will. Gray, etc. (This amang the lowse leiffes. Se the lyke act in the auldest revin buik, 16 Martij 1431.—*Tr.*)

22 *January* 1437–8.

Frauchting of ships. That na guidis be spaikit.

In the Tolbuith of Edinburgh the xxij day of the moneth of Januare the yeir of God j^{m} iiij^{c} xxxvij, before the aldirman baillies counsale and mony of the commouns, be thame wes statute and ordanit for commoun proffitte of the towne that quhat men frauchtis ony schippis of Edinburgh to cum hamewart or furthwart, the frauchtismen sall specifie in the frauchting of the schip and in the chartour pairtie that thair be na gude woll nor skynnis spakit no schorne, na hyddis kippit to be schorne vp, no [*blank*]. And quhat maister dois or tholes the contrer to be done sall tyne the fraucht of tha gudis and amend the skayth to the merchant at the sicht of merchants; and that na schip be frauchtit bot that thar conditionis be contenit in the chartour pairtie baith on this syde the sey and beyound; and gif ony frauchtis other on this syde the see or beyound, ony schip and specifeis nocht thir conditiouns in the chairtour pairtie [he] sall pay to the kirk wark v nobles but forgeving. Item, it is statute that quhat persouns frauchtis a schip owtewart sall give a sek fraucht to Sanct Rynanes Ile in Brugis, and quhat persouns frauchtis ane schip hame-

wart thai sall gif a twn fraucht to St Geillis wark. (This amang the lowse leiffs. —*Tr.*)

1 *June* 1439.

Regrating of victuals cum in at Leyth.

The first day of June the yeir of God j^{m} iiij^{c} xxxix. In the Tolbuith, before the Chancelare, be the alderman the baillies and the counsale of the town and sundrie of the communitie, it is statute and ordanit for commoun proffitt that quhasa brings victuale to Leyth sall be welcum to sell thair victuale as thai best may and house it gif thai list, bot the serchcour sall se quhat guids of victuall cumis in the heaven, and quha dressis thame to bye that victuall sall sweir that thai sall nocht bye mair than may suffice to the dispenssis of thair houschald, and that thairof thai sall nocht sell agane for wynning, and the schersuris sall ilk day certiefie the gouernance in Leyth, and ane of the thre baillies sall laboure heirvpoun in Leith, and quhome thai find trespassand agains this ordinance efter the statute thairvpoun maid thai salbe pvnist and the gudes eschetit anent the byare, and the schersuris sall haue the lone of the eschcitt thai find to be made after the nature of the statutes. (Amang the lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

24 *November* 1442.

Watche.

In the Tolbuith be the dusane and the counsale of the town and be the haill deliuerance of thame, It is ordanit that the towne be waket ilk nicht with sex persouns watches this winter, and that the watchemen be tain and sett be the baillies at the croce as thai wer wont to be.

Yettis closing.

Alswa, It is ordanit that the yettis of the towne be closit be twa seriandes ilk nicht, that is to say, Jhone Scheyare and James Cartar, and that the saidis yettis be steiket be thame ilk nicht at couerfure tyme, and oppinit be fyve houris in the morning, and that the said twa seriandes sall haif to thir fie of ilk fyre hous and of the best of the towne ij d. and of the simplare folk, j d. Item that the towne be closit as it wes wont to be. (Lowse leffes of this daitt.—*Tr.*)

4 *December* 1442.

Custome of ilk boitt.

Item it is ordainit that Oswald Gilmoreson baillie of Leyth sall raise ij d. of custome of ilk boitt that cummis in the havin, efter the tenour of the Kings lettres, gif the boite bringis any gudes within the heavin, and Thome of Prestoun hes tane on hand to assist to the said Oswald in the raising of the

said custome and to ger it be payet to him; for the quhilk caus the counsale has grantit to the said Thome of Prestoun the proffitt that cummis of the said ij d. of custome of this instant yeir that cummis and for na langer. (Amang the auld leiffes of this daitt.—*Tr.*)

9 *April* 1443.

Baxters. Mayne breid.

It is statute and ordainit that na baxter baik na mayne breid to sell fra hine furthwart, saiffing allenarly at Witsounday, Sanct Geillis messe, Yule, and Pasche; and that the said breid sall nocht be sauld at nane of the said festivall tymes bot endurand aucht days, that is to say begynnand at the evin of ilk ane of the said feists and endurand quhill that day aweht dayes, and gif any mayne breid be sauld any vther tyme it sall be chete, and the said baxteris sall nocht bake the said mayne forowtyn pase to be given to thame be the baillies. (Amang the auld leiffes.—*Tr.*)

25 *September* 1445.

[By Letters Patent granted by King James the Second, under his Great Seal, of the above date, the King, for the common good and public service, and also for the preservation and security of ships and goods coming in at the Port of Leith, the want of repairing whereof had occasioned great damages through shipwreck, statuted and ordained, with consent of the burgesses and merchants of Edinburgh, for enlarging and repairing of the said Port, that they should take and uplift the following customs during his pleasure.

In the Inventory of Writs removed from the Charter House to the Town Clerk's Office in 1653, before alluded to, these Letters Patent are described as a Charter for uplifting of the tax or toll of the Port of Leith, for the use and in manner specified in the charter of date 31st December 1428. The following Table, it will be observed, is nearly the same with that given under date 1428.]

[Custom of ships and boats at Leith.]

Customs from every ship, bark, and boat entering the Port of Leith, viz:—

Of ilk serplare of woll and skynis:—		
Of freimen of the Kingis burowis	iiij	d.
And of strangearis and vnfremen	viij	d.
Of ilk tone:—		
Of freemen	iiij	d.
Of strangearis and vnfremen	viij	d.

[Custom of ships and boats at Leith.]

And of all vther thingis, pok, pak, and barel, proportionably ansuarand to the serplare and to the tone

Of ilk last of hides:—

Of freemen	xvj d.
Of strangearis and vnfremen	xxxij d.
Of ilk chaldir of corne, malt, or salt	iiij d.
Of ilk chaldir of colys	j d.
Of ilk tune of grynnale gudis	
Of freemen	iiij d.
Of strangearis	viij d.
Of ilk last of bere, meal, and hering	viij d.
Of ilk last of terr	iiij d.
Of the hundir burdis	viij d.
Of the hundir bow-stafis	iiij d.
Of the last of osmounde irne[1]	viij d.
Of the hundir plankis and treyis[2]	viij d.
Of the chaldir of lime	ij d.[3]

And sua of other like gudis

Item, of hulkis and forecastellit shipps that commys in the havin or in the raide	x s.
Of ilk crayer, busche, barge, and balingare	v s.
For ilk forcost	xij d.
For ilk grete bait with victale, or othir gudis	vj d.
For ilk small boat	ij d.

And sua of othir lik thingis.

1 *December* 1450.

[Burgess ship.]

The burges air payis for his burgesschip vj s. viij d. He that byis his burgesschip payes xl s. Ane burges be richt of his wyfe payis vj s. viij d. At this tyme many ar maid burgessis and callit postnati et postnate of thair fatheris.

[1] In the Table given under date 31 December 1428, this is termed "maid irne."

[2] The words "and treyis" are not in the table of 1428.

[3] This article is not given in the 1428 table.

Dauid Admuty effectus est burgensis hereditarius ratione avunculi sui Joannis Crystesoun. [Burgessschip.]

[David Admuty was made a hereditary burgess in right of his uncle John Crystesoun.]

12*th January* 1450–1.

Pro altari Sancti Cristoferi fundato in ecclesia parochiali Beati Egidii de Edinburgh juxta formam eiusdem ecclesie pro pelliparijs artis subscriptis in instrumento sequenti dicti vero pelliparii condiderunt statuta ad sustentacionem dicti altaris vt patet per eiusmodi instrumentum quiquidem pelliparii requisiuerunt instanter communem clericum notarium et scribam burgi regestare et inscribere dictum instrumentum in libro communi gilde dicti burgi, et ita fieri decretum est per prepositum Thomam de Cranstoun, et ballinos Johannem de Halkerstoun Matheum de Cammera et Richardum de Farnele, Adam Cant decanum gilde, Johannem Lamb thesaurarium, concilium et duodenam dicti burgi, tenor vero instrumenti sequitur et est talis:— [Obligation by the Skinners in favour of the Altar of St Cristopher in the Kirk of St Giles.]

In Dei nomine Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat euidenter quod anno ab incarnacione domini millesimo quadringentesimo quinquagesimo, indictione decima quarta, die vero mensis Januarij duodecimo, pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris ac domini nostri domini Nicholaij diuina prouidentia pape quinti anno quarto in mei notarii publici et testium

[In favour of the Altar of Saint Christopher, founded in the Parish Church of St Giles of Edinburgh, according to the rule of the said Church, for the Skinners of the Craft underwritten in the following instrument. The said Skinners established statutes for the maintenance of the said altar, as appears from the same instrument, which instrument the Skinners forthwith required the common clerk, notary, and scribe of the burgh to register and engross in the common book of the guild of the said burgh, and it is ordained to be so done by the provost, Thomas of Cranstoun, and by the bailies, John of Halkerstoun, Mathew of Chambers, and Richard of Farneley, Adam Cant dean of guild, John Lamb treasurer, the council and dusane of the said burgh. The tenor of the instrument truly follows, and is thus:—

In the name of God, Amen: Be it known clearly to all by this present public instrument, that in the year from the incarnation of our Lord one thousand four hundred and fifty, in the fourteenth Indiction, in the twelfth day of the month of January, in the fourth year of the pontificate of the most Holy Father in

[Obligation by Skinners.] subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti prouidi et honesti viri videlicet: —Willelmus Skynner, Gillcrist Turnebule, Hugo Tod, Alanus Skynner, Willelmus Staltt, Jacobus Harlaw, Dauid Littill, Thomas Yule, Willelmus de Camusnethane, Edmundus Skynner, Johannes Mathe, Dauid Wilky, Thomas Salman, Willelmus Lachlane, Johannes de Kympill, Willelmus Ramsay et Andreas (*blank*), pelliparii infra willam de Edinburgh, una cum consenssu et assensu obligati sunt in forma que sequitur videlicet:—Quod [ad] seruicium et sustentacionem vnius capellani ad celebrandum apud altare Sancti Cristoferi nouiter fundatum per supradictos infra ecclesiam Beati Egidii de Edinburgh et ad reparacionem ornamentorum dicti altaris quilibet dictorum pro toto tempore vite sue ac secundum facultatem bonorum manus adiutrices apponet. Item quilibet accipiens prenticium ad artem pelliparii soluet ad reparacionem dicti altaris quinque solidos monete tunc currentis, ac etiam quod nullus prenticius [per] quemcunque ipsorum accipietur ad dictam artem pelliparii nisi consimiliter obligatus fuit post lapsum annorum sui prenticii ad libertatem vt supra manus suas adiutrices secundum facultatem bonorum ad reparacionem dicti altaris vt supradictum est apponi. Item quod quilibet prenticius antequam ad artem pelliparii recipietur jurabit et obligabitur vt quam cito venerit ad libertatem sui prenticii quod non recipiet quemcunque prenticium ad artem

Christ and our Lord the Lord Nicholas the Fifth, by Divine Providence Pope, in presence of me notary public and the witnesses subscribing personally appeared discreet and honest men, videlicet:—William Skynner, Gillcrist Turnebule, Hugh Tod, Alan Skynner, William Staltt, James Harlaw, David Littell, Thomas Yule, William of Camusnethane, Edmund Skynner, John Mathe, David Wilky, Thomas Salman, William Lachlane, John of Kympill, William Ramsay, and Andrew (*blank*), skinners within the town of Edinburgh, with one consent and assent, are obliged in manner following, videlict, That for the service and support of a chaplain to celebrate at the altar of Saint Christopher, lately founded by the above written within the Church of St Giles of Edinburgh, and for the repair of the ornaments of the said altar, each of the said persons for the whole period of his life, and according to his means, shall put to helping hands; Item, every one receiving an apprentice to the craft of Skinners shall pay to the repairs of the said altar five shillings of the money then current, and also that no apprentice shall be received by any one of them to the said craft of Skinners unless he has been in like manner taken bound that, after the expiry of the years of his apprenticeship to freedom, he shall put to his

pelliparii nisi ad reparacionem dicti altaris vt supradicimus soluat quinque solidos et sic de similibus imperpetuum. Item ordinatum est quod si contingat aliquam debatam discordiam aut controuersiam infra dictos pelliparios quoquomodo imposterum [exoriri] ambe partes discordes determinacioni et ordinacioni artis sociorum eorundem et decreto concilii et duodene burgi stabunt et subibunt sine quacunque contradictione aut demanda, ac vt etiam supradicta appunctuamenta inviolabilia perpetuis temporibus obseruent quilibet dictorum pelliparium per se compari juramento obligatus est. Super quibus omnibus et singulis petiit sibi fieri dictus Willelmus Skynner nomine communi pelliparium tunc presentium et nominatorum vnum vel plura instrumentum seu instrumenta per me notarium publicum infrascriptum. Acta fuerunt infra ecclesiam Beate Marie de Campo hora tertia post meridiem anno die indictione mense et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus probis et discretis viris dominis Alexandro Hundby, Johanne Moffat, Johanne Hendirsone, capellanis, et Thoma Broun, mercatore, cum aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

[Obligation by Skinners.]

(And ane Johne Hogo preist in the dyosie of Glasquow is notar heirto.—*Tr.*)

helping hands according to his ability to the reparation of the said altar as aforesaid; Item, that every apprentice, before he shall be admitted to the craft of Skinners, shall swear and become bound, so soon as he shall come to the freedom of his apprenticeship, not to receive any apprentice to the craft of Skinner unless he shall pay five shillings to the repair of the said altar as aforesaid, and so in like cases for ever; Item, it is ordained that if any debate, discord, or controversy among the said Skinners shall henceforth happen to arise in any manner of way, both the contending parties shall abide by and submit to the determination and judgment of said matters by the brethren of the craft, and to the decree of the council and dusane of the burgh, without any contradiction or appeal; and, moreover, that they may observe the above mentioned appointments inviolably, each of the said Skinners for himself has been taken bound by a like oath. Upon which, all and sundry, the said William Skynner, in the common name of the Skinners then present and named, asked one or more instruments to be made by me notary public subscribing. These things were done within the Church of Saint Mary in the Field, the third hour in the afternoon, of the year, day, indiction, month, and pontificate as above, in the presence of good and discreet men Sir Alexander Hundby, John Moffat, John Hendirsone, chaplains, and Thomas Broun, merchant, with other witnesses specially called and required to the premises.]

1450.

In Curia Camerarie tenta in Pretorio coram domino Jacobo de Creichtoun camerario anno j^m iiij^c quinquagesimo.

[In the Chamberlain Court, held in the Tolbuith, before Sir James of Creichtoun, chamberlain, in the year one thousand four hundred and fifty.]

Swyne. The quhilk day it was ordanit be the chamberlane and the court and statute all men and wemen that hes swyne in the towne outwith band be removit out of the towne betuix and Sanct Androis day, or than that thai be kepit in band, and that thai be nocht fundin lowse under the payne of escheitt, and that to be applyet to the kirk wark.—(This act in the auldest buik revin.—*Tr.*)

Aill. Item, that na man na woman brew aile to sell derare than for vj d. or viij d. at the darrest, vnder the payne of escheitt of the aill. The vnlaw, the lede tane vp and the bodome strukkin owt vnforgevin bot ony fauour.

Wechts. Item, that all merchands fra hyne furth sell irne, walx and vther merchandice be wecht weiyit with the troyne and with na vther, vnder the payne of escheitt of the guidis, saif allanerlie punds maid beyond se belangand to spycerie.

Cordineris. Berkit ledder. Item, that na cordiner fra hyne furth sal schap and bark in the craft of cordiner, vnder the pane of eschitt of the ledder barkit; na that thai by na hydes to bark, vnder the samyn payne, bot it sall be lefull to thame to red their handis of it that is in to bark betwix this and Candilmes. (Lowse leiffes. —*Tr.*)

12*th May* 1451.

Burgensis et gilde artifex. —— Aitkyne, barbi tonsor, effectus est burgensis ad instantiam domine Regine gratis datur et etiam conceditur sibi (*blank*) gilde pro tempore vite sue et in amplius vt possit vti libertate gílde tempore vite sue, soluendo species et vinum nusquam est sibi successurus post obitum ad libertatem gilde.—(In the auldest buik.—*Tr.*)

[—— Aitkyne, barber, is made burgess at the instance of Our Lady the Queen, without payment, and it is also conceded to him (*blank*) of the guild for the period of his life, and further, that he might use the freedom of the guild for the period of his life, paying spices and wine, and no one shall succeed him in the freedom of the guild after his death.]

18*th May* 1451.

—— Rede, tinctor, effectus est burgensis ratione patris sui quondam Joannis Rede, hereditarius, pro vino et speciebus. Burgensis hereditarius.

[—— Rede, dyer, is made burgess as in right of his father the late John Rede, hereditary for wine and spices.]

14*th June* 1451.

Henryk Rafe is adiugeit be dome in the townis will xx li. for wrangous vsing the fredome, as is fundin be ane assyse; and in lyke maner Mairtyne Hope is adiugeit to the sowm of xx li. for wrangous occupeing of the fredome, as fundin is be assyse. Vnlawes for occupeing the fredome.

Andreas Mowbray secundus filius patris sui effectus est burgensis ratione patris sui, et finiuit vj s. viij d. proximum festum Beati Michaelis Archangel. Plegio Jacobo de Bonkill. Secund sone.

[Andrew Mowbray, second son of his father, is made burgess as in right of his father, and compounded for six shillings and eightpence at the next feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, James of Bonkill being surety.]

9 *November* 1451.

[By a Charter granted by King James the Second, under his Great Seal, of the above date, the King, for the singular favour he bore towards his beloved merchants, burgesses and community of his Burgh of Edinburgh, in respect of the manifold free services rendered by them to His Majesty, granted and perpetually confirmed to the burgesses and community, and their heirs and successors, burgesses of the said burgh, that in all time thereafter they should be free absolved and quit from all payment of the custom of salt, and of the skins underwritten, commonly called "schorlingis, skaldingis, futefellis, lentrinwere, lamb skynnis, tod skynnis, calf skynnis, cunning skynnis, otter skynnis, and fumart skynnis." He also granted to the said burgesses and community free power and faculty to sell, barter, or exchange, as well to strangers and unfreemen as to any other persons whatever, and as well within his kingdom as without, the foresaid wares of salt and skins, without any custom to be paid by the said strangers or others whatsoever in all time coming, so that no custom should be paid by the strangers out of the said salt and skins bought and purchased from the burgesses foresaid, unless only the small custom due and in use to be paid by strangers and unfreemen to the said burgesses and community off the said salt and skins in former times.] [Exemption from customs of salt, skins, &c.]

1452.

[Election of Officers.] (In the Heid Court after Michaelmas 1452, electi in balliuos Thomas Prestoun, Jacobus Boncle, Joannes Cairnis, seriandi *four* in number, appreciatores seruisie *four* personis.) (This in the auldest buik.—*Tr.*)

30*th October* 1453.

Burges be his mother brother Joannes Hiane junior effectus est burgensis hereditarius ratione Thome Spens avunculi sui, et finiuit pro libertate species et vinum, plegio Thoma Levingtoun. (This in the eldest riven buik.—*Tr.*)

[John Hiane, junior, is made hereditary burgess in right of his uncle Thomas Spens, and paid for the freedom spices and wine, Thomas Levington being surety.]

1453.

[Customs and Water mett of Leyth.] (On ane lowse leiff daittit 1453, the customes of Leyth are callit:—Bolle custume de Leyth, ac parue custume de pok pak barel et hujusmodi bonorum assedantur etc.)

[The Bolle custom of Leith, and petty custom of pok pak barrel, and sicklike goods, are let, &c.]

(And on the sam leiff the watter mett of Leyth sett to Jhone Dow for ij merks.—*Tr.*)

4 *November* 1454.

[The customs of Leith granted by King James the Second to the burgesses and merchants of Edinburgh, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of date 25th September 1445, to endure during the King's pleasure, were made perpetual by Grant or Letters Patent of the same Sovereign, under the Great Seal, of the above date.]

13*th September* 1456.[1]

Baxters. Burgessis. Fremen. The quhilk day it was grantet be the provest baillies and counsale of the toun in favoures of the haill craft of the baxteris that thair sall na man of that craft be maid burges or freman without the avys and consent of the maist pairt of the worthiest of the craft, and that it sall be sene that he be worthie and sufficient to labour, and that he haif cunnying and power to labour, and that thai pay their dewteis to the alter lyk as the laif of the craft dois.

[1] In the Council Records, Vol. 1, fol. 35, this extract is dated as above, but in the volume of extracts in the Advocates' Library, fol. 42, it is dated 1466.

The said day, before the provest baillies and counsale of the toun, Patrik Donald grantit and promittit that he sould gif ij. markis of annuell yeirlie to be raisit of his tenement lyand in Todrikkis Wynd to the reparatioun of the altare of Sanct Vbertis foundit be the craft, and till infeft it yeirlie, and gif sesing thairof to the said altare for his stane and lair place that he hes befoir the said altare, or ellis to remove the said stane and tak it away. Annual for repair of St Vbert's Altar in St Giles.

6th October 1456.

In the Tolbuith of Edinburgh, thir personalie wnderwrittin, that is to say Alexander Naper, Williame of Cranstoun, Adame Cant, Lancelott Abernathie, Thomas of Bigholme, John of Halkerstoun, Sandie of Schele, Robert Blak, George of Pennicuik, etc.; be thair grit aith sworne, the haly Ewangellis tuitchitt, in the presens of ane rewarend Father in Chryst George Bischop of Brichen, right honorabill and worschipfull Lord Iames of Levingtoun of the Calender Chamerlane of Scotland, and of certane lordis of our Souerane Lordis counsall, deponit and delyuerit in manner and forme as followis: That is to say, that the auld vse and custome heyan of tymes bygane was that aye vpoun the day nixt befoir Michalmes day the dusane of the towne vsit to cheis the lytis of the officiaris of the burgh as thai now did, and thairefter ay vpoun the hede cort day the baillies war chosin of the lyttis that war new befoir be the dusane, and on the morne the prowest dene and officiaris of the gild war chosin, and thai find that the auld wse thairof now at this tyme was brokin throw the chesing of a baillie that is now chosin that was na lite befoir, and thai fund that the caus of the doing thairof was throw Johne of Foulis, Thomas Butler, Will. Bonnantine and Thomas Swyft.—(This amang the auld leiffes of this daitt.—*Tr.*) Electing of maiestrats.

10th November 1457.

(In ane awld revin buik, quhilk is the first awld buik, I find the common rent sett as follows:—*Tr.*)

Assedationes terrarum et annuorum reddituum burgi facte in Pretorio euisdem x Novembris 1457, a festo Beati Martini instantis anni usque ad festum [Setting of commoun rents.]

[Tacks of the lands and annual rents of the burgh, made in the Tolbuith of the same, 10th November 1457, from the feast of St Martin of the present

[Setting of commoun rents.]

Martini 1458, et facte sunt hei assedationes, coram preposito et balliuis et communitate dicti burgi.

Quo die parue custume burgi assedantur Patricio Donaldsoun et Patricio Murray pro lxvij merkis, ad terminos burgi consuetos, plegio manu propria terras redditus et possessiones ac omnia bona sua mobilia et immobilia habita et habenda pro seipso et dicto Patricio.

Dicto die parue custume de Leyth de pok pak barell et hujusmodi bonorum, cum lie met syluer, assedantur Joanni Robertsoun et Joanni Lowthiane pro xxij merks, [plegio] pro Joanne Robesoun Hugone Debar, et pro Joanne Lowthiane Alexander Naper de Merchinstoun.

Item lie pittie heavin syluer de Leyth assedatur dictis Joanni et Joanni pro xxxiij merks, plegio dictis Hugone et Alexandro.

Botha prima camere pretorij assedatur Allano Broun pro xl s., plegio Adam Cant.

Secunda botha assedatur Joanni de Dalrimpill pro xl s.

Tertia botha in manibus Malcolmi Baird pro xl s.

4 botha assedatur Henrico Fowles pro xlv s., plegio seipso.

year to the feast of St Martin 1458, and the following tacks were made in presence of the provost, bailies, and community of the said burgh.

Which day the petty customs of the burgh are let to Patrick Donaldson and Patrick Murray for 67 merks, at the usual terms of the burgh, pledging by his own hand his lands, rents and possessions, and all goods moveable and immoveable, had and to be had, for himself and the said Patrick.

On the same day the petty customs of Leith of pok, pak, barrel, and sick-like goods, with the "met-siller," are set in tack to John Robertson and John Lowthian for 22 merks. [Sureties] for John Robertson, Hugh Debar; and for John Lowthian, Alexander Napier of Merchiston.

Item, The petty haven siller of Leith is let to the said John and John for 33 merks. Sureties the said Hugh and Alexander.

The first booth of the chamber of the Tolbuith is let to Allan Broun for 40 s. Surety Adam Cant.

The second booth is let to John de Dalrimpill for 40 s.

The third booth in the hands of Malcolm Baird for 40 s.

The fourth booth is let to Henry Fowler for 45 s., on his own security.

5 botha assedatur Jonete sponse quondam William Scott pro xlv s., plegio Jacobo Dodds. [Setting of commoun rents.]

6 botha assedatur Thome Williamsoun pro xlv s., plegio Waltero Young.

7 botha in manibus Nicolai Spathy pro xv s.

Botha proxima in manibus Georgij Fawlau pro xlv s.

Due bothe ex parte occidentalj pretorij assedantur Roberto Mvray pro xliij s., plegio Waltero Young.

Botha orientalis ex parte australi pretorij assedatur Ioanni Law pro xx s., plegio Willelmo Lawder.

Secunda botha assedatur Ioannj Best et datur sibi gratis pro feodo suo.

Tertia botha in manibus ville.

Botha 4ª assedatur Joanni Gullane pro xx s., plegio Jacobo Schele.

Bothe 5 et 6 in manibus ville.

In domo campanilj domus supra gradum assedatur Jacobo Tailzeour pro l s., plegio Alexandro Schele.

2 domus assedatur Willelmo Balfour pro xlv s., plegio seipso.

Tertia domus assedatur Thome Nort pro xviij s.

The fifth booth is let to Jonete, spouse to the late William Scott, for 45 s. Surety James Dodds.

The sixth booth is let to Thomas Williamson for 45 s. Surety Walter Young.

The seventh booth in the hands of Nicholas Spathy for 15 s.

The next booth in the hands of George Fawlau for 45 s.

The two booths on the west side of the Tolbuith are let to Robert Murray for 43 s. Surety Walter Young.

The east booth on the south side of the Tolbuith is let to John Law for 20 s. Surety William Lawder.

The second booth is let to John Best, and is given to him gratis for his fee.

The third booth in the hands of the town.

The fourth booth is let to John Gullane for 20 s. Surety James Schele.

The fifth and sixth booths in the hands of the town.

In the bell-house, the house above the stair is let to James Taylor for 50 s. Surety Alexander Schele.

The second house is let to William Balfour for 45 s., on his own security.

The third house is let to Thomas Nort for 18 s.

[Setting of commoun rents.]

4. domus assedatur Waltero Carnis pro xx s.
Lie penteis sub gradu assedatur Ade Cant pro xix s. vj d., plegio seipso.
Supremum sollarium assedatur Malcomo Boyde pro xxx s., plegio seipso.
Botha proxima lie penteis assedatur Thome Quhytelok pro xl s., plegio seipso.
Botha proxima assedatur Willelmo Turnour pro xl s., plegio seipso.
Botha proxima assedatur Willelmo Hall pro xliiij s. v d., plegio Willelmo Turnour.
Botha proxima assedatur Harmanno Beltmaker pro xliiij s. vj d., plegio Jacobo Schele.
Botha proxima assedatur Ade Spens pro xliiij s. vj d., plegio Waltero Young decano.
Domus carnificum assedatur carnificibus pro x merk plegio quolibet pro alio.
Lie butter trone assedatur Margarete Bertrem pro iiij li. vj s., plegio Adamo de Cranstoun.
Molendini remanent in manibus ville.

The fourth house is let to Walter Carnis for 20 s.

The penthouse under the stair is to let to Adam Cant for 19 s. 6 d., on his own security.

The uppermost chamber is let to Malcolm Boyd for 30 s., on his own security.

The booth next the penthouse is let to Thomas Whitelock for 40 s., on his own security.

The next booth is let to William Turner for 40 s., on his own security.

The next booth is let to William Hall for 44 s. 5 d. Surety William Turner.

The next booth is let to Harman Beltmaker, for 44 s. 6 d. Surety James Schele.

The next booth is let to Adam Spens for 44 s. 6 d. Surety Walter Young, deacon.

The fleshhouse is let to the fleshers for 10 merks, each being cautioner for the other.

The butter trone is let to Margaret Bertrem for £4, 6 s. Surety Adam de Cranstoun.

The mills remain in the hands of the Town.]

1458.

[Election of officers.]

(In the Heid Court after Michaelmas 1458 is electet *thre* bailies, *four* seriandes, *thre* gustatores seruisie, *twa* appreciatores carnium.) (This amang the auld leiffes of this daitt.—*Tr.*)

[See note to extract, dated 3 October 1403, *supra* p. 2.]

3 *October* 1459.

Edward de Boncle effectus frater gilde et datur gratis pro suo auxilio et consilio. (Gild court leiffes—this leif merket 8.—*Tr.*) [Gild brother.]

[Edward de Boncle is made guild brother, and it is given gratis for his aid and counsel.]

1461.

(In the rentale 1461, the customes of Leyth ar termit this wayes.—*Tr.*)

Quo die, parue custume de Leyth de pok pak barel et hujusmodi bonorum cum lie metsyluer ac lie pittie heavin syluer quam habuit Johannes Peblis in assedatione viz: lie pitie heavin siluer omnium bonorum librorum hominum omnium burgorum Scotie assedantur, etc. [Setting of Leith customs.]

[Which day the petty custom of Leith of pok, pak, barrel, and sicklike goods, with the "met-siller," and the "petty haven siller" which John Peblis held in tack —viz., the "petty haven siller" of all the goods of the free men of all the burghs of Scotland,—are set, &c.]

7 *October* 1462.

Joannes Chapellane effectus frater gilde ratione sponse sue Agnetis filie Joannis Quhyte et finiuit xx s. soluendo. Gild be his wyfe.

[John Chapellane made gild brother in right of his wife Agnes, daughter of John White, and compounded by paying twenty shillings.]

(In the Head Court after Michaelmas 1462 is electit *ane* provest, dene of gild, and thesaurer, *ane* watter baillie, *twa* gild seriandis, *twa* appreciatores vini, and duodena burgi ar *thirty-two*.—*Tr.*) [Election of officers.]

1462.

It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies counsall and communitie of the tovn, that the wittuallis that cumis in and the tymmer at the port of Leith be strangeris salbe bocht in the tolbuyth as maner is of befoir for a certane price, and gif that it beis nocht bocht, that na neichtbour tak in hand to by the saidis victualis or tymmer to regrait and deir agane vpoun the nychtbouris, and gif ony dois, the said vittuall and tymmer salbe tane be the officeris and distribute amangis the nychtboures of the price that is bidden thairfoir in the tolbuyth, that gif ony man of vther burrowis wald by the saidis vittuallis to haif furth of the Entring of schippis.

Entring of schippis.

tovne, the nychtboures to by it of that price that thai gif thairfoir to be distribute amangis the nychtboures, and this statute to endure quhill Michaelmes next. Item, it is ordanit that na nychtbour nor vther tak vpon hand to warne ony strangaris of the price of vittuallis in the cuntrey, nor that na nychtbour schaip thame to by ony vittuallis or to bid ony price thairfoir befoir the entrie, and quha sa dois in the contrair heirof or brekis this statute sall pay to the kirk wark of Sanct Gele ilk persoun singularlie be him self ane chalder of quheit but remissioun.

1463.

[Election of officers.]

(In the Heid Court after Michaelmes 1463 is electit *ane* provest, dene of gild, and thesaurer, *ane* watter baillie, *twa* gild seriands, *twa* appreciatores vini, and duodena burgi ar *thirty-two* in nummer, quhairof euerie ane stylit be his craft.)—(Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

7 *October* 1463.

Gild.

Joannes Greg effectus est frater gilde, et finiuit pro libertate iij li. etc.—(*Ib.*)

[John Greig is made brother of the gild, and paid for the freedom £3, etc.]

Gild. Secund sone.

Willelmus Frog effectus est frater gilde, tanquam secundus filius Alexandri Frog, et finiuit pro libertate xx s. soluendo etc.—(*Ib.*)

[William Frog is made brother of the gild, as second son of Alexander Frog, and compounded for the freedom by paying 20s. etc.]

Gild. Air.

Willelmus Vernour filius et heres Willelmi Vernour effectus frater gilde et finiuit species et vinum.—(*Ib.*)

[William Vernour, son and heir of William Vernour, was made brother of the gild, and paid spices and wine.]

Craftisman gild.

Willelmus Vernour saidiller effectus est frater gilde pro xx s. ad instantiam Regis.—(*Ib.*)

[William Vernour, saddler, is made brother of the gild for 20s., at the instance of the King.]

13 *December* 1463.

Feying of ane miller to the mylnis.

It is appointit and accordit buituix Franskyn Knychtsone on the ta pairt and Alexander Turing, fermaris of the mill, on the ta pairt, and Johne Mawar

wricht and seruand to the mylne, on the vther part, that the said Johne Mawar salbe leill and trew to the said fermorar withoutin dissimulatioun fraud or gyle in the governance of the myle to the proffeit, quhill the terme of Mertemes nixt to cum, and the said Johne [sall remane] at the hous of the said myln and vesy thame daylie at thai walter nocht na behuifull thing to thame that he aucht to find, and gif at thai walter acht in his default, sa that thairthrow the myle be ydill and may nocht gang, the said Johne sall amend that to the fermararis and skaith on his awin cost, vtherwayes than effeiris thame to ly for mending af thame selff, and the said John sall tell the fermararis gif the myln wantes anything that the toun sall gif thame, sa that thai may mak thame be mendit be the toun, that thai ly nocht ydill in the touns defaltt, and swa the said John sall continuallie remane ewist about the said myln quhair he may wesy thaim and thair faltis and nocht put [pas] thairfra without leif askit and obtenit of the said fermorairs, and gif he pas away without thair leif to tyne his seruice that he sould haif and the said fermoraris sall gif to the said Johne the tene corne of all cornes of the said mylne, and the said Johne sall do to the fermoraris and to the myln in all things lyk as he did to the towne of befoir and as he awcht to do. (Amang the auld leiffis of this dait.—*Tr.*) Feying of miller.

1463.

(Siclyke in the assedatioun maid in the said buik anno 1463 besyde the premissis thair is contenit the rentale and sett of ane tenement pertening to the town as follows :—*Tr.*) [Rentale and sett of ane tenement pertening to the toun.]

In tenemento ville prope lie kirk style due bothe anterioris bothe assedantur Johanni Strathauchin pro iij li. xj s., plegio Adame Despens.

Taberna subtus assedatur Patricio Baroun pro 30 s., plegio Willelmo Baroun.

Camera supra cum supremo sollario assedatur domino Henrico de Kingorn pro ij mercis.

[In the town's tenement, near the kirk style, two booths of the outer booth are set to John Strathauchin for £3, 11s.; surety Adam of Spence.

The tavern below is set to Patrick Baroun for 30s.; surety William Baroun.

The chamber above, with the uppermost apartment, is set to Mr Henry of Kingorn for 2 merks.

[Rentale and sett of tenement belonging to the toun.]

Aula cum camera et sellarijs in horto ecclesie assedantur Thoma Swift pro v mercis xij d., plegio Jhone Swift.

Le cungziehous assedatur Alexandro Tod pro xxx s., plegio seipso.

Vnum sellarium assedatur Nicolao Hanna pro x s., plegio Willelmo Ramsay.

Alium cellarium assedatur domino Joanni Walker pro xij s.

Supremum sollarium in horto ecclesie assedatur Willelmo Baroun pro xx s., plegio etc.

Due camere assedantur Henrico Hakket pro xx s.

Lie throwgang assedatur Willelmo Met pro viij s., plegio seipso.

Camera domini Alexandri Barroun assedatur sibj pro xx s., allocati in feodo sui.

The hall, with the chamber and cellars in the kirkyard, are set to Thomas Swift for 2 merks, 12d.; cautioner John Swift.

The cunyie-house is set to Alexander Tod for 30s., on his own security.

A cellar is set to Nicholas Hanna for 10s.; cautioner William Ramsay.

Another cellar is set to Mr John Walker for 12s.

The uppermost chamber in the kirkyard is set to William Baroun for 20s.; cautioner, etc.

Two chambers are set to Henry Hakkett for 20s.

The througang is set to William Met for 8s., on his own security.

The chamber of Mr Alexander Baroun is set to himself for 20s., assignèd for his fee.]

1466.

(Als in the sam buik, in the assedatioun maid 1466, the mylnes ar set in this maner :—*Tr.*)

[Setting of the mills.]

The mylnis ar sett to Alexander of Turing for twa yeir to cum for xiiij^{xx} merks yeirly, to be payet at the termes aucht and wont, and with the girs of the towne and siclyke dewiteis and multure as auld vse and custome wes of before, he biggand the said mylnis of his awin expenssis in this maner, the twa hous of the mylne with stane and lyme, ekand the lenth of ilk hous xx fute of lenth and in breid xxij fute within the wall, and loft the said twa hous sufficiently, and mak a chimnay in the wall of ilk mylne besyde the hopper, and the durris with hewyn stane; and to begyn to the bigging of the ta mylne now at Fastrounsevin nexttocum, and the tyther the nixt yeir at the samyn time, and

to mak the ruiffes of guid tymmer and theik thame with sclaitt. Plege for payment of the sowme and for the fulfilling of the said wark Jhone of Fallsyde Jhone of Fowlis; and the wall to be bygit of sufficient thiknes and heicht be the sicht of the provest baillies and counsall. Setting of the mills.

Marche 1467.

(*Nota.* At this tyme Thomas Vynthank wes commoun clerk. (Lowse leiff.—*Tr.*) [Commoun clerk.]

15 *February* 1468.

(On ane lowse leiff, quhair is the daitt 15 Februarii 1468, is contenit.—*Tr.*) [Custome and anchorage of schippis.]

The custome and anchorage of schippis pertening to the town vse and wont of vnfremen, as followes:—

Off ilk last barrell guids, meill, pik, tar, or siclyke		xvj	d.
Off ilk tun wyne		xvj	d.
Item of ilk bote malvesy		xij	d.
Of Rynche wyne becaus of greitt steikes of ilk crowne		ij	d.
[Off] j^{m} irne		ij	s.
Item of j^{c} saill canves		ij	s.
Item of greter of the crowne		ij	d.
Item of all mersery or merchandice dry or costly guids to custome it be the crowne		[ij	d.]
Item of ane barrell of oley, saipp, butter, vinager, flesche, and siclyke guids		vj	d.
Item of ilk barrell of ingyeons and apilles		iiij	d.
Off a pak of lint contenand ane last		v s. iiij	d.
Off j^{c} tymmer greitt and small		xvj	d.
Item of j^{c} bowstrings		xvj	d.
Off ilk tun wad		xiij s. iiij	d.
Off ane pok wald		xij	d.

Of ilk girnell corn guids twa bolles, ane behind the mast and ane before, and siclyke of all girnell guids to Sanct Geilles wark.

Item the anchorage to be payit after the tenour of the chairtour of the heaven syluer maid thairvpoun.

Off custome outwart of fremen vsit and vnfremen.

[Custome and anchorage of schippis.]

Item of ilk chalder salt	viij	d.
Off ilk chalder smethy coillis	viij	d.
Off ilk last hyddis	xxxij	d.
Of ilk sek woll and skynnis	xvj	d.
Of ane pak of clayth	viij	d.
Item of a pak of cunning skynnis, lambskynis, otteris, folmerts, and siclyk	viij	d.

Item of all guids outward dowbland the pety custome of Leyth to the thesaurer of the towne siclyke as it is tayne in Leyth

20 *March* 1468.

[Letter of advice to the Burgh of Aberdeen as to a doubtful legal question.]

Richt honorable and worschipfull schiris, and wele beluwyt nichtburis, we commaunde ws hartily to yow; and pleyseth you to wit that we hauf rassauyt and vnderstandin your lettere sende til ws and present be the berar, making mensioune that thar is a questioun hapnyt with yow that a burges of your burgh, the quhilk is decessit, hapnyt to marry twa wyffis, and in the fyrst wiflis tyme conquest a lande within your said burgh, and hade with hir a douchter; and efter tha fyrst wyffis decesse he hapynt to mary ane vther wyff, with quhilk he gat sonnys and douchteris; the quhilke lande conquest in the fyrst wyffis tym was vnassynyt be him til ony of his saide barnys in his tym; and at ther is now cummyn befor you the dochtir of the fyrst wyff, clamande the said land as air thairto, and to be knawin be you to the saymn and richt; swa the son of the secunde wyff, askande him to be kende to the said lande as air til his fadir, prayng ws that forsamekle as sic a case has nocht hapnyt with you in tyme bygane, that we walde pass togidder with the consaile of men of law, and avise tharapon, and to certyfy you in write with the berar. For the quhilkis we hafe passit togidder with men of law, and has commonyt apon the saide mater, beande wele and rypely avisit, thus we mak known and findis, that the dochter gottyn in the first wyffis tyme aucht of resone and law to succede to the heritage conquest and gottyn in tha said fyrst wyffis tym, of lesse than it was assignit of befor in the fadyris tyme, *vt patet in legibus burgorum in capitulo vbi dicit de homine habente duas vxores, etc.* And this we declair and certyfiis to your nichtbourhedis be thir presentis, the quhilkis the blessit Trinitie euermar conserve in guid hele and prospertie. Writtyn vnder our common sele of cause, at Edinburgh, the xx day of the monethe of Marche.

Prepositus balliui et consules burgi de Edinburgh vobis prompti in omnibus. Honorabilibus circumspectisque prudentis viris preposito balliuis et consulibus ville de Aberdene vicinis et amicis nostris sincere delectis.

16 *November* 1471.

[Customs and duties at Leith.]

[By Letters Patent granted by King James the Third, under his Privy Seal, of the above date, the King, with the advice and deliverance of his Council, for the common good and profit of merchants, and of all persons, strangers and others repairing to the port and haven of Leith, and for the upholding repair and building of the same, granted to the provost, bailies, and community of his burgh of Edinburgh the customs and duties underwritten, to be raised and used by them and their successors in all time coming.]

Customs and duties to be raised at Leith.

Of ilk ferry-bot cummand inwart in the said havin . .	ij	d.
And going outwarde	ij	d.
Of ilk bot chargit in the havin to pas to the rade . .	ij	d.
And inlikewis of ilk bot chargit in the rade and cummand in the havin	ij	d.
Of ilk dreg-boat and hand-lyne bot cummand in with fisch at thir incoming	j	d.
Of ilk gret lyne bot cummand in with fisch at thare incuming .	iiij	d.
Of ilk stane bot lossand in the havin	j	d.

3 *July* 1472.

Fermoraris mylnis.

It is deliuerit be the provest baillies and counsall of Edinburgh as tuiching the complaynt maid be Thomas of Stanelie and Andro Gray, fermoraris of the milnys, and of the clame of the grist and multer of the toun, that considdering the mylnis are sett with the multer and grist aucht and wont that ar due be baxteris, that the baxteris aucht to gif thair aith to the fermoraris four termis in the yeir, ilk quarter anis, or oiftner gif it misteris, as vse hes bene; and quhair they ar playntie of ony baxter, gif thair names in writt, and they sall minister thame justice as efferis; and as to the grist of the nychtbouris of the toun, that becaus the commoun law sayis in the self that quhair ony maner of nychtbour is takyn to the fermoraris passand fra the mylne, that the fermoraris sall tak the hors and the laid passand fra the mylns, the hors to be the lord of the

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groundis, and the corne and sek escheit to the saidis fermoraris,[1] that thairfore thai sould have vsit the law thairvpoun in tyme bygane, and in tyme cumming that thay vse the self law vpoun the passaris away fra the mylnis, and gif ony disobeyis or deforssis thame thay sall fortefie and minister justice to thame thairvpoun as efferis, sua that of resoun thay sall haue na cause to complenye.

Before Michaelmes 1472.

[Burgesses.]

(Before Michaelmes 1472 ane James Furde burges be his wyfe for vj s. viij d.; ane William Craik burges for iij li.; ane Rychert Forester burges for xl s.) (Amang the lowse leiffes merket 1474.—*Tr.*)

6 *October* 1472.

[Election of officers.]

(Electit *three* baillies, *four* seriandes, *two* appreciatores carnium, *six* gustatores seruisie.) (Amangs lowse leiffs 1474.—*Tr.*)

15 *February* 1473-4.

Burgensis Air apperand

Henricus Cant filius et heres apparend Georgij Cant effectus est burgensis et finiuit species et vinum.

Eodem die ane secund sone payand species et vinum &c.

[Henry Cant, son and heir-apparent of George Cant, is made a burgess, and paid spices and wine.]

[On the same day a second son, paying spices and wine.]

18th *February* 1473.

[Seal of Cause to Hat-makers.]

Till all and sundry quhais knowledg thir present lettres sal cum:—The provest baillies and counsall of the burgh of Edinburgh greitting in the Sone of the glorious Virgine, Sen it effaires to us of oure office to declair the veritie of all thingis pronuncit desyrit and ordaneit befoir us in iudgment, Heirfoir it is that to your vniuersiteis we mak it knawin that in the chalmer of the Tolbuith of Edinburgh, the day of the making of thir present lettres, befoir us in iudgement sittand compeirit the craftsmen of Hattmakeris within the said burgh:—That is to say Johnne Fostare, Dauid Gilquhonotie, Johnne Lyell, Duncane Grant, Williame Burgoner, Johnne Huntare, Williame Grant, Johnne Quhyte, Dauid Young and Duncane of Conynghame, maisteris of the said craft, presentit vnto ws ane bill of supplicatioun desyreand of ws that they micht

[1] See Assise Regis Willelmi c. 35 [Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. I., p. 60.]

cheis ane deacoun amanges thame for conserveing of the said craft in all guid rewllis and ordinances as effeiris thairto, and for observeing of the pointes concerneing to the samyn and maid deviseit and ordanit for gude of the said craft be the saidis maisteris and craftismen, the quhilk bill beand red sene hard and considerit be ws, thocht and fand the saidis desyres wer resonabill and profitabill for gude of the said craft, and granttit thame leif to cheis thame ane deacone, and mak thair devyssis and ordinances for guid of the said craft, the quhilkis deacone beand chosene and resauet amanges thame thairefter presentit vnto ws ane bill of certane ordinances rewllis and devyssis maid amanges thame for the honour worschipe and common proffeit of our Soueraune Lord his Hienes' realm and ledgis and for the haill craft, desyreand alsua of ws to haue the samyn authorezeit ratefeit and confermit and in sa far as we haid power; the tennour of the quhilk statutis rewllis and devyissis followis in this maner, That is to say,—we the maisteris and craftsmen of the Hatmakeris thinkis it needfull and speidfull for the gude and treuth of the craft that all the saidis maisteris and wther that thinkis to be maisteris mak twa peis of wark sufficient belanging hattis-making, the quhilk sallbe sufficient withouttin concur of the sicht of the maister sworne thairto, and gif ony of the maisteris havand ony sones haifand craft, and desyreand to be maister, they sall mak ane peis of sufficient wark at the sicht of the maisteris for the tyme quhen ony of thair awin sones passis to thair awin hous and buith. Item, that na maisteris of the craft tak ony prenteis less than for five yeirs. Item, and gif ony of the craftsmens sones of the said craft becumes prenteis, he salbe band for thrie yeiris, and gif ony prenteis rynis or passis away fra his maister throw wantounnes, trysting of freindis or wtherwayes, within the ische of his termis, his maister sal bring him agane quhaireuir he getis him to compleit his termis, and in the meanetyme he sall not take ane wther prenteis quhill the wther prenteis termis be by-run. Item, gif thair cumes onie alienare or stranger of the samyn craft, he sall mak ane peis of sufficient wark at the sicht of the maisteris or he be thoillit to be feyit or work with ony maister of the craft; that beand done he sall remaine yeir and day in service for fie as they can accord, and gif he desyres thairefter to remane and vse the said craft and to be sollowt this he sall mak twa peis of wark sufficient, and mak him self frieman of the toun and habill thairto. Item, na maister sall ressaue or resset ane wther manis prenteis. Item, we think it richt speidfull and proffitabill that nane of the craftismen of hat

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making nor (*blank*) sow renew or mend ony auld hattis, and that falds culloures be abuseit and depryveit. Item, that nane of the said craft purches ony lordschipe incontrair ony pointtis of the said craft for hindering or staying of ws of the said craft or ony of us thairof. The quhilk bill and ordinance beand red afoir ws, and thairwith beand staible aduysit, findand na skaith nor hurt thairin, we have approveit ratefeit admitit, for us and in sa far as in ws is, or that we haue power, confirmes the said bill in all pointtis and articles contenit in the samyn. And this to all and sundrie quhome it effeiris we mak knawin be thir oure present lettres. And for the mair verificatioun and strenth of the samyn we haif to hungin oure commoun seall of caus for the said burghe of Edinburghe the auchtene day of Februare the yeir of oure Lord ane thousand four hundreth sewentie and thre yeirs.

5 *October* 1474.

[Election of officers.]

(Electit a provest, *three* baillies, *four* seriandes, *two* appreciatores carnium, a water baillie.) (Amang lowse leiffis 1474.—*Tr.*)

2 *December* 1474.

[Sea of Cause to the Skinners.]

Til all and sindry quhais knawlag thir present letteres sal cum The prouost bailyeis and consale of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in the Sone of the glorios Virgine: Sen it efferis to ws jugis be verteu of our office to declar schew and bere suthfast witnessing to the verite of the thingis led pronunsit determit and ordanit be ws or befor ws in jugement, sa that innocentis be nocht throu the hiding of verite hurt nor scaithit in our defaltis. Herefor it is that to your vniuersite we mak it knawin and declaris that the daye of the makin of thir presentis, in the chawmer of the Tolbuth of the said burgh comperit befor ws we sittand in jugement the craftismen of the Skinnaris of the self burgh, that is to saye John of Cranston dekin, Robert Haithwy, William Ramsaye, Thomas Salmund, Thomas Grahame, Thomas Frew, Robert of Duscon, Alane Skinnar, John Mathe, James Tod, William Trumbule, Henry Haswele, James Greg, Robert Lauerok, John Scot, Thom of Harlawbankis, Robert Wilschot, Thomas Evinson, Alexander Red and William Craufurd for thaim and in the name of the hale craft present to ws thair bill of complaynt of certane thingis that was vsit amangis the craftismen, quharthrou the tone had a sclander and lak, the craft sustenit gret scaith and hurt and the com-

mounis dissauit, and als that diuine seruice and sufferage of Sant Cristoforis alter is mynist, and reparatioun of the said alter nocht beildit nor helpit efter the avis statutis and ordinance of the tone and of the said craft vsit of befor; and als anentis the dissobeying of thair dekin in the cumming and gaddering befor hym and the craft quhen thai ar warnit, for the comonning and avising for the gude of the hale craft, and for stanching of deformaris and babillaris of the werk baith in kirkis and in tone and for the reformatioun to be had of thir thingis and diuers wtheris concerning and rying [referying] to the hale craft. The quhilk bill beand in presens of ws and diuerse of the craft red herd, and thair desire resonable considerit to the fortifeing and obseruing of the said desiris and statutis vnderwritten we have assentit: In the first, as tuiching the rasing of the Monundais penny of hym or thaim at werkis thair awin laubor, it is statut and ordanit be the dekin and the laif of the craft witht awis of ws that the said penny be rasit wolkly on the Monundaye outhir be the dekin or ony at beis ordanit to gidder it, of al personis lauborand thair awin werk and quha that dissobeyis the gadderar to pund hym thairfor quhil it be pait. Alswa that all personis of the craft sal compere befor the dekin and the craft quhen thai ar warnit for the gude of the sammin and quha that dissobeyis and absentis hym in the tym withoutin leif or a resonable assonye he sal paye to Sant Cristoforis alter half a pund of wax. And alswa quha that beis fundin or attayntit brekand schepe skinnis on the ryme sidis outher for poyntis or for gait leddir, or at sellis the samin poyntis for raphell outhir in priue or in a perth fenyeit and fals stuf the committer sal be brouch and the stuf at is fundn takin witht him befor the prouost bailyeis and consale of the tone, and thai sal witht avis and ordinance of the dekin and four or five of the worthiest and best of the craft mak the said persone or personis to be pvnyst as efferis; and richt swa of the bauchlaris of the said laubour, outhir in the opin gate or in the kirk, quha at beis tayntit tane thairwitht on halidais or werkdais the dekin sal rais on him for the first falt half a pund of wax, the secund falt a pund of wax but fauour to the reparatioun of the said alter of Sanct Cristofor, and the thrid tym the dekin sal bring him and the werk befor the consale of the tone, and thair the prouost bailyeis and consale sal pvnis it witht avis of the dekin and the best of the craft. The quhilkis articls and desiris we appruf ratifeis and for ws and our successouris in sa fer as afferis ws or sa fer as we haf power confermys; and this til all thame quham it efferis we mak knawin

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be thir ourc presentis; and for the mare witnessing hereof the commoun sele of cause of our said burgh is to hungin togidder witht the subscripcione manuale of oure common clerc William Farnely at Edinburgh the secund day of the moneth of December the yer of our lord athousand foure hundreth sevinty and four yere. FARNLY.

15 *October* 1475.

[Grant of the Isle and Chapel of St John in St Giles to the Wrights and Masons.]

Till all and syndry quhom it efferis quhais knawlege thir present lettres sall cum.—The prouest ballies counsall dene of gild and dekynnis of the hale craftismen within the burgh of Edinburgh greting in the Sone of the glorious Virgine. Wit ye ws in the honour worschipe and glore of Almychte God and of the glorious virgin Sanct Mary, and of our patrone Sanct Gele, and for the furthering helping eiking and suppleing of diuine seruice daily to be done at the altar of Sanct Jhone the Ewangelist, foundit in the College Kirk of Sanct Geile of Edinburgh, and for reparatioun beilding and polcy to be maid in honour of the said sanct of Sanct Jhone, and of the glorius sanct Sanct Jhone the Baptist, to have consentit and assignit, and be thir our present lettres consentis and assignis, to our lovit nychtbouris the hale craftismen of the Masonis and of the Wrichtis within the said burgh, the ile and chapell of Sanct Jhone fra the ald hers of irne inwarts als frely as it is ouris, with all the fredomis proffittis and esementis thairto pertenand at we haf or may haf richt to, nocht doand nor committand ony preiudice or skaith to Sir Jhone Scaithmure or his successouris in his first feftment or priuilegis that he has broukit or joisit of befor. To be haldin and to be had the said ile and chapell of Sanct Jhone fra the irne hers inwart with the pertinentis to the saidis craftismen the Masonis and Wrichtis of the said burgh and to thair successouris for euir, with power to edify big reparell and put it ony pairt thairof to polesy or honour of the saidis sanctis outhir in werk or diuine seruice quhatsumeuir at the altar or vther wayes, nocht hurtand the auld feftment. And the saidis craftismen to vse occupy and aduoruy the said ile as thair awin proper ile, siclyk as vtheris craftismen occupiis within the said College Kirk, nocht doand ony preiudice to our patronage or to the auld feftment or to the auld laus in the said Ile. And at the said craftismen sall adoury and haf the day of Sanct Jhone the Baptist and to thig to the licht of the said altar as vtheris dois in the kirk yerlie. And this till all thame quhom it efferis we mak it knawin be thir our present lettres. And in witnessing hereof

our commoun sele of caus of the said burgh, togidder with the selis of Alexander Turing, David Quhytehed, Bartillmo Carnis, balyeis for the tyme, and Alexander Richerdsons sele dene of the gild, in token of gevin consent and assignatioun to the saidis craftismen of the said ile, be the handis of the dekin for them all, ar to hungin at Edinburgh the xv day of the moneth of October the yeir of God j^m four hundreth sevinty and five yeris. [Grant to Wrights and Masons.]

Till all and syndry quhom it efferis quhais knawlege thir present lettres sall cum;—The prowest ballies counsall and the dekynnis of the hale craftismen of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in God euirlestand, Wit your vniuersiteis that our comburgessis and nychtbouris all the craftsmen of the Masonis and the Wrichtis within the said burgh quhilkis presentit to ws in jugement thair bill of supplicatioun desyring of ws our licence consent and assent of certane statutis and reullis maid amangis tham self for the honour and worschip of Sanct Jhone in augmentatioun of devyne seruice, and richt sa for reuling governyng of the saidis twa craftis, and honour and worschipe of the towne, and for treuth and lawte of the saidis craftis proffitable baith for the wirkaris and to all biggaris, the quhilk bill togidder with thair statutis and reullis befor ws red, and thairwith we beand wele awysit, considerit and fand that thai war gud and loveable baith to God and man, and consonand to ressoun, and thairto we assentit and grantit tham thair desyris, togidder with the Ile of Sanct Jhone in the college kirk of Sanct Gele to beild and put to polesy in honour of the said Sanct, and for the sufferage of devyne seruice, and thir ar the artikallis and statutis at we haf approvit and for ws in sa fer as we haf power; In the first it is thocht expedient that thair be chosin four personis of the best and worthiest of the twa craftis, that is to say twa masonis and twa wrychtis, that sall be sworne, quhilkis sall serche and se all wirkis at the craftismen wirkis, and that it be lelely and treulie done to all biggaris; Item, gif ony man beis plentuous of ony wirk or of ony wirkman of the saidis craftis thai to complenye to the dekin and the four men or to ony twa of tham, and thai persons sall caus the scaith and wrang to be amendit, and gif thai can nocht the prowest and baillies to gar it be amendit as efferis. Item, gif ony persoun or persouns of the saidis craftis cummis of newe after this act to the guid towne and schapis to wirk, or to tak wirk apoun hand, he sall first cum to the said four men and thai sall examyn him gif he be sufficient or nocht and gif he beis admittit he sall lay downe to the [Seal of Cause to the Wrights and Masons.]

[Seal of Cause to Wrights and Masons.]

reparatioun of the altar a merk. Item, that na master nor persone of ony of the craftis tak ony prentis for les termis than sevin yeirs, and ilk prentis to pay at his entre to the said altar half a merk, and gif any prentis of quhatsumeuir of the saidis craftismen, or yit his feit man, pasis away or the ische of his termes but leif of his master, and quha that resauis the prentis or feit man thai sall pay to the altar ane pund of walx the first falt, the secund falt twa pundis of walx, the third falt to be pvnist be the provest and ballies of the towne as efferis; and allswa quhen ony prentisses has completit his termis and is worne out, he sall be examinit be the four men gif he be sufficient or nocht to be a fallow of the craft, and gif he be worthy to be a fallow he sall pay half a merk to the alter and brouke the priuilege of the craft, and gif he be nocht sufficient he sall serf a master quhill he haf lirit to be worthy to be a master, and than to be maid freman and fallow. Item, gif thar be ony of the craft that disobeyis or makis discord amangis the craftismen of ony of the craftis, or that ony of them plenyeis apoun them sall be brocht befor the dekynnis and ouermen of the craftis, and thai to gar amend it be trety amangis thamself, and gif thai can nocht be faltouris to be brocht and pvnist be the prowest and ballies of the towne for thair trespas as efferis. Alswa the saidis twa craftismen sall caus and haue thair placis and rowmes in all generale processiouns lyk as thai haf in the towne of Bruges or sielyk gud townes, and gif ony of the craftismen of outher of the craftis decesis and has na guds sufficient to bring him furth honestly, the saidis craftis sall vpoun thair costes and expensis bring him furth and gar bery him honestlie as thai aucht to do of det to thair brother of the craft; and allswa it sall be lefull to the saidis twa craftis and craftismen of Wrichtis and Masounis to haue power quhatsumeuir vtheris actis statutis or ordinancis that thai think mast convenient for the vtilite and proffet of the gud towne and for tham to statut and ordane with awys of the hale craftis and of our successouris, thai to be ratifiit and appruſit sielik as thir actis, and to be actit and transsumpt in the commoun buke of Edinburgh, hafand the samyn forme force and effect as this present writ has. The quhilkis actis ordinance and devys shewin to ws and considerit we appruf ratifyes and for ws and our successouris confirmis and admittis in so far as we haf power. In witnes of the quhilk thing to thir present lettres we haf to affixt our commoun sele of caus, togidder with the seles of the ballies of the said burgh for the tyme, in takynyng of appreving of all the thingis aboue writtin, the xv day of October the yeir of God j^{m} iiij^{c} seventy and five yeirs.

31 *January* 1475-6.

[Seal of Cause to Wobstaris.]

Tyll all and sindri quham it efferis quhais knawlege thire present lettres sall tocum, the provest baillies and counsale of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in Gode euirlestande, To youre vniuersite we mak it knawin that thare comperit before ws in oure Tolbuth, we sittande in jugement, the best ande worthiest personis of the haile craft of Wobstaris within the said burgh, quhilkis presentit to ws thare bill of supplicatioun, in the quhilkis wes contenit certane statutis and articulis maide ande avisit with thame for the honour and loving of Gode Almichty, and of his moder the Virgine Marie, and of Sanct Seuerane, ande for the suppleing ande vphalding of dyvine seruice and aperaling of thare altar of Sanct Seueriane foundit ande vphaldin be thame in Sanct Gelis Kirk, and for the gouernance of thare werks ande laubour and gude reule baithe fore worschip of the realme, commone profite and laute of the craftismen, and for vther diuers ande mony causes of gude motive; the quhilk bill we haue sene herde and gert be rede, ande tharewith beande riply avisit, considerande thare desiris of ws thare-in to haue our benevolence assistance ande leif thareof, and to haue oure affirmatioun and ratificatioun thairapoun safere as in ws is or may be, we tharefore has considerit the said desiris ande statutis and findis tham consonand to resone, honour, and worship to God and haly kirke, proffitable of the realme and craft; and thir ar the desiris and statutis:—In the first, at the haile craftismen may yerelie ches tham a dekin like as vther craftismen dois, quhilkis sal reule and gouerine the craft in al gude reullis as efferis; to the quhilk dekin al the laif of the craft sal obey in al leifull ande honest thingis concerning the craft; and this dekyn to be chosen with fremen of the craft at ar burges, and nane vther to haue voce tharein. Item, that na man occupy the craft as for mastere quhil he be maid burges ande freman, ande to be examinyt be the dekyne and maisteris of the craft gif he be worthy, and that he sal haue gude and sufficiand graith and werkloumys to be sene and considerit be foure men of the craft; this beande he sal pay twa merkis and twa pundis of walx to the altare and vphald thareof, and gif he be a burges sone he sal pay half a mark to the altare forsaid. Item, na masteris sal tak an prenteis for les termis than five yeiris, and sal pay at his entrie to the said altare five schillingis, or les as can be tretit with the craftisman gif he be nocht of power, and the minisar of thir five yeiris sal pay xx s. quhen it is tayntit apon ony maister. Item, thare sal na maister take ane vther maisteris prentis

[Seal of Cause to Wobstaris.] in seruice, nor ane vther manis feit seruand quhil he be freid, or els haue leif of his maister that aws him, vnder the pane of x s. and a li. of walx, and to restor the prentis and seruand agane. Item, that na man tak on hand to ressave nor wirk ane vtheris manis warpit yarn, na wirk but leif, bot he sal pay j li. of walx or the price thareof. Item, ilke man or woman that occupiis the craft sal geif the prest his mete, and ilke wolk geif to the altare a peny, and to be gaderit be the dekin, ande ilke feit seruande sal geif in the yere iiij d.; and als at thai personis that dissobeis the dekin, and will nocht vnderlie the ordinance of the craft statute for the gude thairof, als oft as he dissobeis he sal pay a li. of walx, or the price thairof, and to be tane but fauour. Item, that na woman sal occupy the craft as for a maister to hald werkhous bot geif scho be a fremanis wif. Item, that na man sal tak ony lomys to hir for dout of spilling of the werk bot geif it be a freman, and quha that dois sal pay a li. of walx ay quhen it can be tantit tharewith. The quhilkis statutis articlis ande al pointis contenit tharein we find tham lovable to God and haly kirke, and honorabile for al the realme, profitabile and worschip for the craftismen, ande thairfore we admitt the samin, ande for ws ande oure successouris we the saide provest baillies ande counsaile of Edinburgh approvis and ratifiis in all points ande articulis as is aboue writtin, insafere as in ws is ande that we haue power, and this to al ande sindre quham it efferis we mak it knawen be thir our lettres; ande fore the mair witnessing to the samyn we haue to hongin oure commone seile of caus at Edinburgh the last day of Januare the yere of our Lord j^{m} iiij^{c} lxxv yeris.

3 *October* 1477.

[Holding of markets.] JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis, To all and sundri our legis and subditis quham it efferis [to] quhais knaulage thir our lettres saleum, greting, Forsamekle as it is be our speciale charge statute and ordanit be the provest bailyeis and counsale of our burgh of Edinburgh, for the honoure profit and honestes of our saide burgh and pleneasing of voide placis within the saymn, that the merkettis to be haldin in tyme tocum in the samyn, apoun the merket dayis, fare dayis, and all vther dayis neidfull, salbe haldin and set on this wise as eftir followis, that is to say: In the first the merket of haye, stra, gers, and hors mete to be vsit and haldin in the Cowgate, fra Forestaris Wynd doun to Peblis Wynd; alsa the fisch merket fra the Frere Wynde to the Netherbow on

baith the sidis of oure commoun strete; alsa the salt merket to be haldin in Nudreis Wynde; alsa the cramys of chepmen to be set fra the Belhous doun to the Trone, on the north side of oure saide strete; alsa the hatmakaris and skynnaris fornent thame on the south side of the saymn; alsa the wod and tymmer merket fra Dalrimpill yarde to the Grey freris and Westirmart; alsa the scho merket of cordenaris fra Forestaris Wynde end westwart to Dalrimpill west yarde dike; alsa the rede barkit ledder with thame; alsa the nolt merket of carcagis and mutone about the Trone, and sa doun throuch to the Frere Wynde, and nocht on the wolk day; alsa all partrikis, pluuaris, capons conyngis, chekinnis, and all vther wyld fowlis and tame to be vsit and sald about the merket croce, and in na vther place; alsa all qwyk bestis, ky, oxon, nocht to be brocht in the tovne bot vnder the wall fer west at oure stable; alsa the mele merket of all grane and cornes fra the Tolbuth vp to Libertons Wynde; alsa fra thine vpart to the treves the merkett of all cottone claith, quhite, gray, and all vthir claith quhitis within vj quartaris, and al lynnyng claith to be sald thare and in na vther place; alsa all buttir, cheis, woll, and sic like gudis that suld be weyit to be vsit at the Ouer Bow, and a trone set thare and nocht to be opinyt quhil the hour of nyne forow none; alsa all irne werk belanging cutleris, smethys, lorymaris, lokmakaris, and all sic werkmen, to be vsit beneath the Netherbow, before and abowt Sanct Mary Wynde: alswa all ald graith and geir to be vsit and sauld in the Friday merket before the Gray freris, lyke as is vsit in vthir cuntreis. The quhilk statutis and ordinance and setting of merkettis as is aboue writtin, for the causis foresaide we ratify and appruvis be thir our lettres, chargeing herefore straitlie and commandis all and sundrie our legis and subditis foresaidis, and in speciale the communitie and inhabitantis of our saide burgh quham it efferis, that ye and ilk ane of yow observe and keep the saide statutis, and redily intend answer and obey to oure saide provest and bailyies that now are and that sal happin to be for the tyme in the setting and halding of the saide merkettis and keping of thame in the plaicis before writin, efter the tennour of the saide statutis, and nocht to cum in ony wise incontrair the saymn vnder all the hiest paine and charge that ye and ilk ane of yow may commit and incur agane ws in that parte, and vndir the panis set and ordanit be thame in thair commoun buke apon the ganestandaris and brekaris of the saidis statutis and setting of the saide merkettis, and to be punyst thairefter as efferis. Gevin vndir oure priuie sele at Edinburgh the

[Holding of markets.]

[Holding of markets.] thrid day of October the yere of oure Lord a thousand foure hundreth seventy and sevin yeirs, and of oure regnne the auchtene yere.

JAMES R. SCHEVES

29 *January* 1477-8.

Burgensis frater et gilde be his wyfe. Thomas Haliburtoun effectus burgensis et frater gilde ratione sponse sue etc. et finiuit species et vinum, et pro gilda xx s. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

[Thomas Haliburtoun made burgess and guild brother in right of his wife, etc., and paid spices and wine, and for the gild twenty shillings.]

February 1478-9.

Mercat dayes. Victuall. Regratouris. Statutes. It is thocht expedient that all persouns haif licence and leif to cum to the towne with victualls to serue the kingis lieges and vent the samyn on Mononday Wedinsday and Fryday, and that na regratour by nor tap any vittale to regrate agane vnder the payne of pvnissing be the baillies after the tenour of the first act, and that all the statutes of the towne be obseruit and kepit. (Amang lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

Common guid, compts. It is thocht expedient that all the persouns that hes any of the commoun guid in their handis that thai cum to the tolbuith on Tysday nixttocum in presens of the haill toun, and ordaning the haill community to compeir the sam day and heir the compt of the towne of the commoun rentis bygane. (Amangis the lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

Burrow mailles. The same tyme, It is fund quhair the prowest, the greitt dusane of the towne, and dyvers vther nichtbouris, all with ane consent thinkis it speidfull for the commoun proffeitt of the haill town that the burrow maill be vngadderit of the nichtbouris considering it is payet to the chakker of the common purs, and at it be allowit of ilk land in thair awin handis. (Amangis the lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

Stallingeris. Alswa the said dusane thinkis expedient at the commoun clerk and ane seriand gadder of ilk stallenger puir body that occupeis the fredome of the towne and to pay twa shillings, and all stallangers that may be burges to occupy the fredome na langer than ane yeir or ellis devoyde the towne, and to ansuer to the thesaurer of the towne, and he to mak his compt theirvpoun.

1478.

Item, it is thocht expedient that the provest of the towne for honour and worschip of the towne haif yeirly to his fie xx li. of the commoun purs, and to indure perpetually.[1] (This amang the lowse leiffis.—*Tr.*) Provestis fee.

18 *December* 1479.

(Amangis the lowse leiffes I fynd quhair the provest and counsale of the towne ordanis the meilmen topperis fremen of the towne sell and top his meill daylie sicklyke as thai wer wont to do, thai kepand the pryce all the wolk throw as the meill is sawld on the mercat day, and at thai by nane in the mercat, bot other mak it thameselff or ellis bye it owtwith the towne, vnder the payne of escheitt and banischeing of thair persounis the towne.) (Amangis the lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*) Meilmen.

December 1479.

(About this time William Fairnely was clerk, as apperis on the leif in December 1479.—*Tr.*) [Common clerk.]

5 *January* 1479-80.

(Amangis the lowse leiffes, 5 January 1479, I fynd quhair thair is chosin awcht frauchtismen.—*Tr.*) [Frauchtismen.]

It is statute and ordanit be the provest and counsall of the toun that in tyme to cum quhane that ony victuallis, quheit, beir, malt, ry, rymeill, or massilyon cumis in to the port of Leyth to be sauld, that or the entre be tane the bell pas throw the toune and warne all the nichtbouris thairto in the tolbuith and in na vther place, and at the provest offer ane penny to the merchand, and to by it vpon ane competent price to the behuif of the haill nichtbouris, ilk man to haif his pairt thairof as it beis bocht, and gif they can nocht aggre thairvpon at the said merchand sall sell his corne to fremen as he best may, and gif ony vther nychtbour byis the guidis efter the entre that ilk nychtbour haif his pairt thairof to his awin houshold and behuif vpoun the samyn price as it is maid with the merchand and na darrer, swa that it sall nocht be regratit nor derthit vpoun the nychtbouris, vnder the pane of eschete and pvnysing thair personis at the will of the counsall of the toun, and Victual cumand in at Leith.

[1] See extract under date 1481, *infra* p. 40.

Victual cumand in at Leith.

that the merchandice be maid heir in the burgh and in na vther place vnder the samyn pane, and quhen sic thingis hapinis that the toun be quarterit, and ane bailye with twa of the counsall pas and tak ane clerk with thame to Leyth and deill it evinly to the nychtbouris takand ane penny of the laid for thair lawbouris. (Amang the lowse leiffes.)

1480-1.

(The rent of the towne as it wes of awld, the setting thairof, and acts thairvpon, is as followes contenit in the lowse leiffes of sum auld revin rentale buik quhilk it has semit guid to writt heir word be word.—*Tr.*)

[Tacks of the lands and annual rents.]

Assedationes terrarum et annuorum reddituum burgi de Edinburgh, facte in Pretorio euisdem coram preposito et balliuis et communitate x die mensis instantis Novembris anno etc. lxxx°, a festo Martini instantis usque ad festum Martini etc. lxxxj°. 1481. Quhilks assedatiouns ar sett after the tenour of certane acts maid thairvpoun.

[Tacks of the lands and annual rents of the Burgh of Edinburgh, made in the Tolbuith of the same, before the provost, bailies, and community, the 10th day of the present month of November in the year etc. [14]80 from Martinmas present till Martinmas etc. [14]81.]

The quhilk day the customes of Leith ar sett with all lawfull dewteis, after the tenour of the clerks buik to be gevin in writt, to Jhone Young for aucht score merkis and xv, fra Mairtymes to Mairtymes, ay payment to be maid at ilk moneth end to the thesaurer but ony langer delay, quhilk sett is maid with al daynger of weir. Souerty and dettour heirfore, Jhonne of Boncle and Robert Folkart.

The petite customes of the towne are sett to Jhonne of Farnely and Jhonne of Loch fra Mairtymes to Mairtymes, with all daynger of weir, for j°. xvj merk to be payit at the moneth end to the thesaurer but langer delay. Thameselffis souerteis and dettouris.

The customes of the aventures of schippis ar sett in lykewyise with all daynger of weir fra Mairtymes to Mairtymes to James Richardsoun for xxj^{xx} merkis, ay to be payit at the monethis end to the thesaurer but langer delay. Souerty heirfore and dettoures himself Jhone of Boncle Will. of Dunsyre and Rychart Hopper.

The commoun mylnes ar sett with all daynger of weir fra Mairtymes to Mairtymes to Dauid Quhytcheid for vj^{li} merks, to be payit ay at the monethis end to the thesaurer but langer delay. Souertie and dettour heirfore himself and Jhone Quhyteheid. [Tacks of the mills and rents.]

On the north syde the Tolbuith

The first buith to Allane Broun for	iiij li.
The secund buith to William Frog for	iiij li.
The third buith to Andro Bertram for . . .	iiij li.
The ferd buith to James Fowler	v merks
The fyft buith to Robert Rind	iiij li.
The sext buith to Isobell Williamsoun . . .	iiij li.
The sevint buith to Thomas Harly	iiij li.

Vnder the Tolbuith on the south syde

The first buith to Jhonne Currour	ij li.
The 2 buith to the male of the clerks buith	
The 3 buith waist	
The 4 buith to Robert Fowler	ij li.
The 5 buith to Robert Fowler	xx s.
The 2 littill buithis vnder the stair to Robert Nory . .	ij li.
The sext buith is maid a presoun.	
The foure buithis vnder the tolbuith are sett to William Ramsay, Matho Harlawbanks, Will. Trumbill, Adam Bell, for . .	viij li.

The belhouse vnder the stair.

The first buith to Archibald Todrick for . . .	iiij li.
The 2 to James Findguid	v merks
The 3 buith to Will. Hall	v merks
The 4 buith to Jhonne Cliddisdaill . . .	xx s.
The fyft buith Rob. Gray	xx s.
The littil seller to Hector Meldrum	xxiiij s.
The fleschehous sett for	viij li.

Vpoun the stair.

[Tacks of the mills and rents.]

The first buith Jhone Saidler	xl	s.
The 2 buith to Alexander Balfour . . .	l	s.
The 3 to Hew Craik	xxx	s.
The 4 to Alexander Hourlaw	xxx	s.
The loft to Henry Cant	xl	s.

17 *October* 1481.

Actum pro Stallangiatoribus.

Thomas Tod, Ewmond Chisholme, William Turnour, Andro Gray, Jhone Patersoun, Archibald Todrik, Alexander Bonkill, Roger Moray, Dauid Crawfurd, David Lawsoun, Thomas M'Colme, William Barroun, Alexander Gray, William of Dunsyare, Jhone of Lawder, Jhone M'Clennane, Thomas of Wod, Alexander Crawfurd, Dauid Quhyteheid, Patrik Barroun, Thomas Cant, Jhone of Prestoun, Jhone Hoppare, Robert Vans, Thomas Carkettill, William of Rynd, Jhone Barcare, Gilbert Fische, Robert Hathwy, Andro Cramby, Jhone Haukin, William Blak, Jhone Fowlare tailycour, Jhone Towart, Thomas Cranstoun, James Smyth.—36.

The quhilk day the prouest and the persouns abouewrittin, beand the greitt dusane and deikins, thinks expedient that the commoun clark and a seriand with him gather of ilk stallenger pure body that may nocht beir the cost of burgesry, and occupeis the fredome of the towne ij s. in the yeir; and all stallangeris that may be burges to occupy the fredome as stallangars but for a yeir and na langer bot gif he be burges or ellis devoyde the towne.

1481.

Prouestis fie.

(The first ordinance that the provest suld have xx libris of fie, anno j^{m} iiij lxxxj^{o} : *Tr.*)[1]

Item, it is thocht expedient that the provest of the tovne for honour and worschip of the tovne have yeirlie to his fie xx libris of the commoun purs, and to endure perpetually.

10 *November* 1482.

Baxteris bying

The quhilk day it is avisit consentit and thocht expedient, statvte and ordanit, be the provest baillies counsall and communitie of this burgh, for the

[1] But see extract under date *circa* 1478, *supra* p. 37.

honour and commoun proffeit of the samyn, that all baxteris within this burgh that byis ony floure fra ony pairtis beyound the sey or within the realme to baik sell breid of, or gif the samyn be les messur or mair, sall pay to the fermorar of thair commoun mylnis the multour thairof as efferis, and that na merchant within this burgh tak vpoun hand to tap or sell ony floure in small bot in greit, under the pane of escheit of the samyn quhair evir it may be foundin or ourtane, etc. Baxteris bying flour.

Item, inlykewayis it is statvte and ordanit that na craftismen nor vtheris induellaris within this toun occupy the samyn or fredome thairof, be intrometting thair practike or craft quhatcuir it be, bot gif thai be fre burgessis, or lif as stallangeris for the yeir and pay thair dewtis thairfoir to the clerk as efferis, according to the lawis of the burgh, and this statvte to be extendit of all maner of vnfre folkis, baith merchantis broustaris baxteris and regratouris of fische butter cheis eggis wilde foullis and all vther thingis sauld and occupyit within this burgh, etc. Vnfre craftis. Wha sall occupye the fredome.

Assedationes molendinorum et reddituum burgi de Edinburgh, per prepositum dominum Johannem Murray, balliuos, consules et communitatem eiusdem, x^mo^ die mensis Nouembris anno j^mo^ iiij^c^ lxxxij, etc. [Tacks of the mills and rents.]

[Tacks of the mills and rents of the Burgh of Edinburgh, by the provost Sir John Murray, the bailies, councillors, and community of the same, the 10th day of the month of November in the year 1482, etc.]

The mylnis are set for this yeir tocum, with the aventour of deid and weir, efter the forme of the act maid vpoun the assedatioun, to Jhone Quhitheid for the sowme of iiij^c^ lxxx markis, to be payit efter the forme of the said act, that is to say, alway as the space of fourtie days beis beyrun to pay the ferme thairfore. Dettouris heirfore himself and the provest Sir Jhone of Murray of Tulchad knycht, coniunctlie and seuerally.

The petit customes of the toun in siclykways are set to James of Cairnis Jhone and Cuthbert Young for the sowme of vij^xx^ markis. Dettouris heirfore James Richartsoun baillie and Jhone Quhitheid, coniunctlie and seueralie.

The petit customes and havin silver set to Adame Halkerstoune, thesaurare, for the sum of j^c^ and ten markis. Dettour heirfor, himself.

[Tacks of the mills and rents.]

The wild aventouris set to the said thesaurare for the sowme of xij^{c} and x markis. Dettour heirfor himself

The setting of the buiths under the auld tollbuith
Bothe ex boreali parte pretorii

The eistmaist to Maister Richart Lawsoun	iiij li.
The nixt to Jhone of Lawder	iiij li.
Andro Bartrame	iiij li.
Williame Blakfurd	iiij li.
James Aikman	iiij li.
Issobell Williamesoun	iiij li.
Williame Rynd	iiij li.
Jhone Wicht	iiij li.
The north penteis vnder the tollbuith to Williame Meile	xxx s.
The south penteis to Williame Morison	xxx s.

Ex australi parte pretorij

Jhone Currour	l s.
Patrik Forous	l s.
Patrik Harlaw	l s.
Robert Foulare	l s.
Henry Foulis	xl s.

The skynnaris buiths

Adam Bellis	xxx s.
Jhone Vallange	xxx s.
James Harlawbankis	xxx s.
Robert Lanerok	xxx s.
Williame Ramesay	xxx s.
Alexander Flimman	xxx s.
The pentis vnder the belhous stair to Hector Meldrum	xx s.
The vther new pentis to Jhone Carswell	xx s.

Aboue the b[el]hous stair

Jhone Saidlare	xx s.
Jhone of Balfour	l s.

Nichole Hannay . . . . . xxx s. [Tacks of the mills and rents.]
The belhous loft to Henry Prestoun for . . . . xl s.

16 *November* 1482.

[By a Charter under the Great Seal, of the above date, King James the Third, in consideration of the loyal and hearty services which the provost, bailies, dean of guild, treasurer, common clerk, councillors, and the whole community of his Burgh of Edinburgh, with his brother Alexander Duke of Albany, had rendered to the King, by freeing him from the Castle of Edinburgh in which he had been detained against his will,—gave, granted, renewed, and confirmed to the provost, bailies, council, and community for ever, the customs and moneys coming out of the harbour of Leith, with the exactions and rents as well of the said port as of the road of Leith and the said Burgh, whereof they were then in the peaceable possession and enjoyment, viz. :—]

The customes of all maner of guidis.[1]

The customes of all maner guidis.

In primis, that thai be fre foir euirmare of all payment of customes of salt, and of schorlingis, skaldings, futefellis, lentrinware, lamb-skynnis, tod-skynnis, calf-skynnis, cunning-skynnis, otteris and foulmartis skynnis, and that it sall be lefull to thame to sell and permute the salt and skynnis abouewritten to alienaris or strangearis or ony vtheris that thai mak merchandice with, custome fre, outher to be payit be thame or be the strangearis, exceptand the petie custume of the toun of Leith to the ressauouris thairof vsit of befoir tyme.[2]

Item, the havin siluir of Leith of all maner of personis, fremen, vnfremen and strangearis, bringand or havand ony gudis in or out at the port of Leith :—

Inprimis, of ilk freman of all the Kingis burowis, of ilk serplaith woll or skynnis . . . . . iiij d.
And of strangearis and vnfremen . . . . . viij d.
And of ilk tun of gudis :
Of fremen . . . . . iiij d.
And of strangearis and vnfremen . . . . viij d.

[1] The following Table of Customs is given in the volume numbered as the first of the series of Council Records [pp. 23–24], without any date being assigned to it. It is evidently, however, a transcript of a portion of the Charter above referred to, with which it has been collated, and from which the words and passages within brackets have been supplied.

[2] See Abstract of Charter by King James the Second, of date 9 November 1451. *Supra p.* 13.

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And of all vther siclike thingis, baith polk, pak, and barell, proportionally ansuerand to the serplaith and to the tun.		
Item of ilk last hydis:		
Of fremen	xvj	d.
And of strangearis and vnfremen . . .	xxxij	d.
Of ilk chalder of corne, meill, malt, or salt:		
Of fremen	iiij	d.
And vnfremen	viij	d.
Item, of ilk chalder of colis or lyme cummand in or gangand furth of the havin	ij	d.
And of ilk tun of girnale guids:		
Of fremen	iiij	d.
And of strangearis and vnfremen . . .	viij	d.
Item of fremen of vther burowis byand ony guids in Leith to have away, to pay at the outpassing . . .	iiij	d.
And barrell according thareto.		
Of ilk last of meill or hering	viij	d.
Of ilk last pik, ter, ass, or siclyke gudis . . .	iiij	d.
Of ilk hundredth burdis, gestis, treis, bowstreyngis, plankis, and siclike gudis	viij	d.
Of ilk fercost that cummis in the havin . . .	xij	d.
Of ilk greit boit with victalis or vther gudis . .	vj	d.
Of ilk smal bate	ij	d.
Of ilk tun of gudis sald in Leith, be fremen to fre or vnfremen passand outward	iiij	d.
of the byare; the barrel or barrellis according thareto.		
And of ilk fery bait cummand inwart in the havin .	ij	d.
and outwarde	ij	d.
Of ilk bait chairgit in the haven to pas to the rade .	ij	d.
and siclike wise chargit in the rade agane to the havin .	ij	d.
Item of ilk drag boit and handlyne boit cummand in the havin with fisch, at thair incumming . . .	iiij	d.
Of ilk stane bait cummand and losand in the havin .	j	d.
And lykewis the men of Orknay and Cathnes and thare guidis payand siclike havin siluir.		

The customes of all maner of guidis.

And attour apon landin to Leith or within the watir, thir custumys to be payit vndir writtin to the toun of Edinburgh, by the hevin siluir:—

In primis, ilk barrell of ter, pik, ass, or ony vther barell gudis sald thare to vnfremen	ij	d.
Of ilk laid of vnyeons, [apillis,] corne, buttir, cheis, or vther gudis met and sald in Leith to vnfremen to be had away	j	d.
And of ilk layd vnmet	j	ob.
Item, of ilk laid of quhite fisch or hering cumand out of Leith	j	d.
And of the j^{c} grete fisch, as keling, stok-fisch, leyngis, salmound, and siclike fische, vnbarralit	iiij	d.
Item of ilk pak of claith that cummis to the schore of vnfremen	iiij	d.
And of ilk laid of salt met thare doun	j	d.
Of ilk grete [geist or] dormound sauld thare doun	j	ob.
Of smallare geistis, iiij d., of the dosane.		
Item of j^{c} sperris	viij	d
Item of the hundredth widde of oismond irne, of unfremennis [cumand to Leith]	viij	d.
And of ilk dakir of hydis cummand on land in Leith or to Leith, of vnfremennis [quhatsumeuer]	ij	d.
Item of the hundreth skynnis, wollin, calfiis, gaitis, hyddis, cunyngis, or ony vtheris nocht payand custome [in Edinburgh]	iiij	d.
Item all the toun vyndouris of gudis ventit or temyt in the rade havin or toun of Leith or the privileges and be dewiteis to the toun of Edinburgh.		

And attoure to be insert in this our said Chartir the grete custumys and dewiteis that the thesaurare [of the toune] resavis and takis of strangearis, and vnfremen of schippis and gudis cummand in at the port of Leith, and enterit in the tounis bukis, togidder with the eschete of the samyn quhare it beis fundin vnenterit of ony vnfremenis.

Inprimis of ilk last of barrell gudis, sic as pak, ter, meill, ass, or siclike gudis	xvj	d.
Of ilk tun wyne	xvj	d.

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Of ilk boit malvesy . . . . . xij d.
Of Rynch wyne becaus of greit steikis of ilk crovn as it is bocht ij d.
Item of the thousand irne . . . . ij s.
Of the hundredth sail canves . . . . . ij s.
And of the grete canves [of the crovn] . . . ij d.
Of all dry mersory merchandice and costly gudis, of ilk croun ij d.
Of a barrell of saip, oley, buttir, vynager, flesche, or tallone vj d.
Of ilk barrell of vnyeonis or apillis . . . iiij d.
Item of a pak of lynt contenand a last . . . v s. iiij d.
Of the hundredth tymmer, greit [or] small burdis, [or] dalis xvj d.
Of the hundredth bowstringis . . . . . xvj d.
Of a pak of wald . . . . . xij d.
Of a tun wad . . . . . xiiij s. iiij d.
Of ilk schip in generale of guidis, ij bollis, ane behynd the mast and ane vther befoir, to Sanct Geilis werk.
Item the ankyrage of ilk grete schip, single or doubill forcastellit . . . . . xiij s. iiij d.
[The secundare . . . . . x. s.
The middelest . . . . . vi s. viij d.
The caumferis . . . . . v s.
The whilkis strangeris and unfremen sall pay for custome of their guidis outward to the toune:
Of ilk chalder of salt . . . . . viij d.
Of ilk chaldir of smethy colis . . . . . vj d.
Of ilk last hydis . . . . . xxxij d.
Of ilk sek wole and skynnis . . . . xvj d.
Of a pak of claith . . . . . viij d.
Of a pak of cunyng skynnis, lamb skynnis, otteris, toddis, foulmertis, and siclike . . . . viij d.

And attour that na maner of stapill gudis of strangearis remane or be housit langare in Leyth efter it be dischargit and losit than it may be cartit and brocht to the toun, under the payne of eschete. And that they mak na merkatt in Leyth under the samyn payne, to be takin and vsit be the saidis provest and bailyeis for the tyme to the tounis vse. And in like wise that the saidis provest, bailyeis, clerk, consale, and communitie, and their successouris, bruke,

joyse, and vse all vthir customas and privilegis within the saide burgh Leyth and watir, according to the commone law within thare watir courtis, attachiamentis, vnlawis, and dewiteis, siklike as thai and thare predecessouris has had of before with vse and wont.] The customes of all maner of guidis.

2d May 1483.

Till all and sindrie quhais knawledge thir present lettres salcum, Sir Patrik Baroun of Spittalfield knycht and provest of Edinburgh, Patrik Balbyrnie of that ilk, Dauid Craufuird of St Gely Grange, and Archibald Todrik, baillies of the said burgh, with the consent and advyse of the counsall of the samyn, greting, Forsamekill as the hedismen and maisteris of the Hammermen craft, bayth blaksmythis, goldsmythis, lorymeris, saidlaris, cutlaris, buclar makaris, armoreris, and all vtharis, within the said burgh of Edinburgh, the day of the daitt of thir present lettres, presentit thair bill of supplicatioun till ws beseikand reformatioun and remeid of the greitt iniuris and skaythis done to thame, as was contenit in thair said bill, of the quhilkis thair followis a pairt, that thairthrow the said iniuris and vtharis may be eschewit in tyme to cum, sen thay depend thairvpoun, and in lyikwis vpoun the honor and worschip of the said burgh, als weill as vpoun thair singular availl and proffit: In the first thair complaint buir and specifyit that thay war rycht havely hurt and put to greit poverty throw the doun cumming of the blak money, walking [and] warding, and in the payment of ȝeldis and extentis quhilkis thay war compellit to do be vse, and to be compellit thairto be our Lordis authoritie mandimentis and chargis, and in lyik wyis that thay wer havely hurt be the dayly mercat maid throu the hie streitt in cramis, and on the baksyde the toun in bachling of hammermenis werk pertening to thame of thair craft, in greit dishonour to the burgh, and inbraking of the auld gude rule and statutes of thair craft, and vpoun vther skathis that thay sustenit in defalt of reformatioun. We heirfoir, havand etc., till equitie and iustice of remeid, considering weill thair supplicatioun and iust petitioun according to the gud reule of the burgh, haf statute and ordanit, and be thir oure letteris statutis and ordanis, that na hammerman, maister, feit man, servand, nor vtharis, tak vpoun hand fra this tyme furth till exerce or vse ony ma craftis bot alanerly ane, and to live thairvpoun, sua that his vther brether and craftismen of the saidis craftis be not hurt throu his large The Hammermenis Seill of Cause.

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exercitioun and exceding of boundis. Item, that thair sall [be] na oppin mercat vsit of ony of the saidis craftis, or werk pertening to thame of thair craft, vpoun the hie streittis, nor in crammis vpoun buirdes, nor bachlit nor schawn in handis, for to sell in na pairt foir nor baksyde within this burgh, bot alanerly on the mercat day. Item, that upoun ilk Settirday efternone tua or thre of the worthiest maisters and maist of knawledge of the saidis craftis quhilk sall haif powar with ane officiar with thame to pas serch and se all mennis work of the said craftis, gif it be sufficient in stuff and workmanschip gude worth and hable work to serve the Kingis liegis, with and quhair it beis fundin faltine to forbid the samyn, to be sauld vnder the pane of escheitt as oft as it happinis to be fundin faltine. Item, that all vnfre hammermen baith buith-halderis and vtharis fra this tyme furth cum to the maisteris of the saidis craftis or he be maid maister, to be examinat gif he be worthy thairto, and than he to be maid freman gif he beis fundin sufficient, and do his dewty to the toun and craft and to the altar as vtharis dois, and set up buith, and gif he beis sufficient in his craft, and not of powar to mak his expenssis hastely vpoun his fredome, he sall bruk the priuiledge of a langer for ane yeir and na langar, and all vtharis that ar vnfre, not examinit nor worthy to hald buiths, sall either be prentis to a maister for certan yeiris, or ellis, gif he be aigit, to be a feit man with a maister, and not to laubour his awn werk vnto the tyme that he be habill and worthie to be maister and do his dewtie thairfoir as said is. Item, it sall not be lauchfull to ony maister of the saidis crafts to ressett or resaif ane vthar mannis prentis as servand, nor gif him ony werk, sa lang as he is bunden to his maister at he cummis fra, and beis payit of his dewtie and fee. Item, that na commoun cramaris in the toun vse to sell or tapp ony hammermenis werk, nor regrat it agane till vthar mennis vse, and that all thir craftismen abouewritten sall convene quhen thame lykis, and to commoun vpoun the breking of thir statutes aboue exprimit, and to certifie the provest and baillies thairof that iustice and pwnitioun may be done thairvpoun quhen and how it requyris, and that every man brekar of thir forwrittin statutis pay for ilkane of thame, als aft as thay happin to be brokin, in his defalt pay viij s. to the reparatioun and habillimentis of thair altar, and specially that all men of the said craftis do and fulfil thair auld consuetude and vse to the vphald of devyne service at the said altar weikly and daly, and to the priest craft and altar as effeiris. And this till all quhom it efferis or may effer we mak knawin faythfully be thir our presentis, to the quhilkis in witnessing

we haif gart hing our commoun seill of caus at Edinburgh, the secund day of May, the yeir of God a thousand four hundreth auchty and thre eiris. [Seal of Cause to Hammermen.]

1483-4.

The ordour for breiking of fische in Lentrene conforme to the auld actis drawin furth of the approvit scrollis of the auld bukis of the dait anno [j^{m} cccc] lxxxiij, Lentrene. Statuta. Fleschouris, selling of fische.

Item, that na regratouris by fische to sell again befoir xij houris vnder the pane of viij s. and pvnissing of thair personis, and that na fische be oppinit on the hie gaitt vnder the said pane.

Item, that na fische be halden nor keipit into houssis nor brokin into houssis bot in the market, vnder the pane of escheit and vnlaw of viij s.

Item, that na fische be halden ouer nycht and presentit the morne to the merket vnguttit or clengit vnder the said pane.

Item, that na greit fische be brokin nor sauld before ix houris vnder pane of viij s.

Item, that ane baillie with ane of the counsale of the toun and tua seriandis keip the fische mercat quhill Pasche, ilk ane thair oulk about, and se that thir statutes ke keipit, and that the fleschouris braik thair fische honestlie for thair fe quhilk is statute thairfor as followis:

Item, ilk fleschour sall haue to his fie for braiking of ilk killing, lyng, skait, j d.; and for the turbet, iiij d.; and for pellok sauld derrer nor xx^{ti} schillingis, xij d., and within xx s., vj d.; and for ilk salmond, ij d.; and siclike of all vther greit fische.

Item, that na fleschour bye na fische to sell and regraitt agane, bot to brek thame allanerly for thair fie as said is and handell thame honestly.

Fysche prissarris:—Thom. Yair, Robert Gray, Jhonne of Boucle, Jhonne Fouller.

The baillie, Jhonne Barcar, Archibald Todrick, Will. Turner, Jhonne Bonkle, for the first oulk.

Robene Lokart, Andro Bartrem, Wyll. Clerk, Jhonne Andersoun, the nixt oulk.

N. Peblis, La. Tailzefer, Dauid Craufurd, Thomas Yair, the thrid oulk, and sua furth till Pasche oulk be.

5 *October* 1484.

(Consules ville anni presentis Joannes Cant, Ninianus Peblis, and otheris twelf in nummer, and Jhone Halkerstoun assessour ville.—*Tr.*)

Counsale convening.

It is statute and ordaint at thir persouins abouc written sall convene and gadder in the inner Tolbuith twyse in the wolk, Wednisday and Fryday, ilk day be the hour of ix, and sitt and commoun vpone the commoun proffeitt of the towne, and the commoun rents inbringing, and quha at bydes ower the ceissing of the bell of ix sall pay vj d., and quha at bydes away the hail day withoutin [licence] of the provest or the dene of gild sall pay xij d., vnforgevin, and thir vnlawes to be gadderit be the thesaurer to the behuif of the counsale. (Lowse leiff.—*Tr.*)

[Commissioners to Parliament and to the Court of Four Burghs.]

(On the sam leif writtin :—commissarij ad parliamentum four in nummer ; and besyde written :—commissarij iiij^{or} burgorum.

[Master of Works.]

The same leiff :—Alexander Gray chosin and sworne maister of the werk to the towne for this yeir to cum, for the quhilk he sall haif xx^{li} merk of fie.—*Tr.*)

7 *November* 1485.[1]

That na fremen be perteneris with Leith.

It is statute and ordanit that gif ony merchand of this toun takis ony man of Leyth in company with him in his merchandice-making he sall pay ane vnlaw of xl s. to the kirk werk, and tyne his fredome for yeir and day.

Setting of the tounis rentes.

It is statute and ordanit that nane of the commoun rentis be set bot till famous men, inhabitantis of this toun and of substance, and haue ane vther bound with him.

Item, it is statute that nane of the commoun rentis be set to ony man of Leith, nor yit that ony nychtbour cum dettour thairfoir, nor yit that ony of the toun that takis ony customes set thame to ony man of Leith, or have ony of Leith partinare thairof with him, nor yit to have in seruice thairof vnder him any persoun duelland in Leith, vnder the pane of x li. to the kirk wark and tynsall of his fredome for yeir and day.

Tuychin reft gudes.

It is statute that gif ony nichtbour byis ony reft guidis that happinis to cum in be sey, that he sall fynd souertye to the provest and baillies that the

[1] In the first volume of the Council Records, (folios 19-20, 78), the date of these Acts is given as above. In the volume of extracts in the Advocates' Library (folio 98), it is stated as 10th November.

toun and merchandis sall be skaythles of ony clame thairefter tocum, the quhilk [Reft gudes.] souertie sall pay the dampnage and skaith that happinis to cum thairof quhatsumeuir.

It is statute that quha takis the commoun mylnis sall do on this wis fra thyne furth, the thesaurare and baillies sall deliuer thame to the fermorare ilk Martymas day at xij houris with all sufficient gangand graith that efferis to the mylnis, and fra thyne furth the fermorair sall vphold thame the haill yeir with sic graith as plesis him vpoun his awin expensis, and sall deliuer thame at the nixt Martymes with all gangand graith als guid as he ressavit thame, and this assedatioun is and salbe all tymes maid; the customes and all vther rentis of the toun to be sett with all aventour and dangeris of deid and weir, ay payand the first half-quarter payment befoir hand to the thesaurare of the toune. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*) Setting of the mylnis.

10 *November* 1485.

Assedationes molendinorum custumatorum et reddituum burgi de Edinburgh, facte in Pretorio eiusdem per Johannem Murray prepositum, ad hoc specialiter congregata communitate secundum effectum et tenorem actorum prepositorum vt consuetum fuit, decimo die mensis Novembris anno domini j^{m} iiij^{c} lxxxv^{o}. [Setting of the mills, customs, and annual rents.]

[Tacks of the mills, customs, and rents of the Burgh of Edinburgh, made in the Tolbuith of the same, by John Murray, provost, the community being specially assembled for this purpose, according to the effect and tenor of the acts of the magistrates, as custom was, on the 10th day of the month of November, in the year of our Lord 1485.]

The petit customes ar sett with the eventure of deid and weir, efter the actis aboue writtin, for this year tocum, to Jhone Fairnly, Jhone Lany, and James Richartsoun, for the soume of fourscoir ten markis. William Barroun dettour for Jhone Fairnlie, and Jhone Lany [and] James Richartsoun dettour for thame self and their pairt thairof. The setting of the petie customes.

The petit customes of Leith are sett with the eventour of deid and weir, efter the tenour of the saidis actis, to Jhone of Bonckel for the sowme of j^{c}. pundis. Henry Rynd and David Craufurd dettouris, etc. The petie customes of Leyth.

The commoun mylnis of the toun, with certane conditiouns contenit in the

The setting of the mylnis.

actis above written, ar set to Laurence Tailliefer thesaurare for the sowme of xxiiij^{xx} markis.

The setting of the fleschous.

The fleschhous is sett to Laurence Tailliefere and Jhone of Levingtoun for the sowme of ten pundis, ilk ane of thame dettour for vtheris.

3 *October* 1486.

Crameris.

(Be complaynt of the merchants.) It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale of the toune, for the common profficit of our Souerane Lordis lieges and this burgh, that na maner of persoun freman nor vnfrie fra this hour furth hald or vse any cramis or buirdis with merchandice vpoun the hie gaitt or vnder any stairis, or haif a buird vpoun the gaitt with any clayth, wollin, or lynning, vnder payne of xl s. the first tyme at he beis fundin standin, the secund falt his crame and buird to be escheit, and the third falt to tyne his fredome and banist the towne for yeir and day, bot allenarly on the mercat day or in frie fairis, and thir vnlawes to be raisit and inbrocht to the kirk wark. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

8 *August* 1487.

Prouest. President.

The quhilk day a richt nobill michty Patrick Lord Hales my Lord Provest, chosin of this burgh for this yeir to cum fra Michaelmes furth and quhill Michaelmes, hes with the consent of the baillies and counsale and a pairt of the community of this burgh [hes] chosin James of Creichtoun of Felde to be his depute and president vnder him indurand his will, becaus the haill towne committit power to his lordschip to cheise his deputes and presidentis ane or ma at his will as aft as he sall think expedient, to do and minister justice vnder him as efferis. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

15 *August* 1487.

Feying of the commoun pyper.

The quhilk day the provest baillies counsale and deikynis of the towne [ordanis] that the commoun pyperis of the towne be feyit for the honour of the town, on this wyse, that thai sall pas to all honest persounis of substance that may sustene the same and tak thair meitt of ilk ane of thame ane day of bout and hip nane, and gif thai tak wedge that thai sustene thame selff thairvpoun that day, and at the persoun that gevis thame [not] thair meitt gif to thame ix d. on the day, that is to ilk pyper iij d. at the leist.

10 *November* 1487.

Of custumes pertenand to Edinburgh.

The cattell and guds that cumis to the fair and merkat of the burgh of Edinburgh aucht na custume to the schiref of Edinburgh to the land, bot the provest, as schiref of the burgh of Edinburgh, aucht and sould have the custume of all the said cattell and gudis cumand to the merkat, and within the fredome of the said burgh, the time of the fairis of the samin. And in time cuming nouther the said schiref of Edinburgh to the land, nor na utheris, may rais or tak ony custumis of the cattell or gudis foresaidis without the merkat and boundis of the fredome of the said burgh, be resoun the samin aw na custume quhill thay cum and be presentit to the said burgh, merkat and fredome thairof. And attour the said provest and schiref of Edinburgh aucht and sould limit and bound certane places, within the boundis and fredome of the said burgh, to the quhilk nolt, scheip, and horse sould be brocht and be sauld the tyme of the fairis. And als, the tyme of the saidis faires and merkattis thair aucht na custume to be raisit or tane bot efter the auld use and consuetude. [The Provest and Schiref of Edinburgh *contra* the Schiref of Edinburgh to land.]

16 *November* [14]87.

Meill mercat.

The quhilk day it is devyst expedient be the provest baillies and counsall of the tovne, for the commoun proffeit of the nychtbouris thairof and vtheris oure Souerane Lordis lieges, that na nychtbouris inhabitaris of this burgh tak vpoun hand fra this tyme furth to by ony meill to sell and regrait agane, bot alanerlie to his awin vse weekly, vnder the payne of escheit of the meill and banesing of the persoun that beis aprehendit doand the contrair heirof, at the discretioun of the provest and baillies for the tyme, and that ilk day be fre mercat day to all our souerane lordis lieges landmen that cumis to this burgh with victuallis quhatsumeuir to sell the samyn but impediment or demand with les mesour or mair; and that thay set the meill in the commoun mercat and nocht in houssis nor vnder stairis; and that the baillies pas incontinent to ceirs the regratouris of meill that hes brokin the actis maid thairvpoun of befoir sen this is the first tyme, and that thay tak all that meil ordainit sa to regrait and sell it commounly to all our souerane lordis lieges for ix s. the boll, and fra thencefurth that thay regrate na mair in tyme cumming bot on the mercat day, vnder the payne abouewritten, and the customaris of this burgh furneis pek and half pek to the landmen heirto.

11 *April* 1488.

The Fleshouirs Seill of Cause.

The allewint day of the monethe of Aprile the yeir of God j^{m} foure hundrethe auchtie and aucht yeiris. The quhilk day compeirit in jugement in the chalmer of the Tolbuith of Edinburgh in presens of richt nobill and worschipfull men Thomas Tod prouest for the tyme, George of Touris, James of Cubing, and Thomas of Yhare, bailleis, John Foular dene of gild, Johnne of Tuedy thesaurer, and the laif of the counsall of the toun and burgh of Edinburgh, compeirit and pressentit ane supplicatioun and bill of complaint Richard Furde, deykin of the fleshouris for the tyme, Robert Gray, Johnne Coky, John Malcolm eldar, Riche Grey, Androw Tait, Patrik Andersoun, John Malcolm younger, Adame Edgear, Androw Sillar, John of Fyfe, Johnne of Loche, John Towart, Robert Gilry, Dauid Johnstoun, Richard Phillop, Dauid Airth, Gilleis Ker, and vtheris, principall maisteris of the saidis fleshouris craft, desyrand of the saidis prouest bailleis and counsale of the toun that, considering the grit trubill and wexatioun that officeris haid of before tyme be the evill reull multitude of dyuerssis persouns vnhabill contenit in the burgh, [quha] sclander and blaspheme men of the toun and the haill craft throw evill payment and vther wrangous iniuris and deidis vsit amangis the craft, in grit hurt and preiudice of the toun and commoun profeit, that sic thingis micht be retreitit and reformeit be the prouest bailleis and counsall of the toun, with awyse of the deykin and principale maisteris of the craft, with sic statutis and rewlis and ordinance as the said craft thinkis expedient with awyse of the said toun. The quhilk bill of supplicatioun and complaint oppinlie red hard and sene be the saidis prouest baileis and counsall, thay thairwith, in absence of the craftismen, awysit and considerit the said bill, and fand it was profitabill and neidfull for the commoun proffeit that amangis them selffis, for the guid reule of the craft, at thai sould mak certane statutis, quhilk the guid toun with the deykin of the craft and the maisteris of the craft sould vse execute and pvneis the trespassouris as effeiris according to the lawis of this burgh. Than the said deykin and maisteris of the craft presentit to the saidis prouest baillies and counsale thair desyris statutis and rewlis, and caussit them in the Tolbuith to be red and vnderstandin, with the quhilkis the saidis prouest bailleis and counsall was awysit, and the tennour of them followis in this maner:—Imprimis. We the deykin and principale maisteris of the fleshouris craft within this burgh thinkis

it expedient for the comoun proffeit that all vnfremen, laidis and boyis, vsand our craft be expellit thairfra bot gif he owthir wil be ane vomannis prenteis or ane feit man, gif he can wirk for certane yeiris, efter the tennour of the ald actis of the toun maid of before, sua that na man handill menis sustentatioun owther at his stok or vtherwayis but honestlie be the maister him selff or his seruand or prenteis allenarlie as effeiris, and nane vtheris vnder the pane of xl s. the tua pairt to be raisit be the officeris of the toun to the Kirk werk, and the thrid pairt to be raisit be the deykin of craft to the reparatioun of thair awin alter vnforgevin; and siclyk all the vnlawis of thair statutes vnderwritten beiris. Item, We think it expedient for the honour and honestie of fremen of this craft that ar of small substance, quhill God refresche them, that thairfor sic a burges bot na vther persoun marrow him with ane maister of substance, and lay his penny to his, and sua far as it will reik the pennyworthis to be bocht betwixt them and thai to dele thairvpoun vyning and tynsell as effeiris, and sua far as ilk pairt reikis; and gif this fremen gettis credence in the cuntrey of ony stufe he to bring it to the guid toun and sell it oppinlie in the mercatt, the said fremen first fyndand souerty at the craft sall nocht be blasphemit throw his evill payment, nor yit the officeris of the toun to be wexit for administratioun of iustice, vnder the pane of xl s. for ane vnlaw to be disponit and raissit as first saidis be the officeris of the toun and the deykin of the craft for the tyme. Item, We think expedient that the deykin and best of the craft daylie serche the craft gif ony of them owther byis slais or sellis ony infectit fleshe or fishe with or keippis rottyn purit beistis, cassin or deid be the selff, or ony vther insufficient sustentatioun owther of fishe or fleshe; and quha that beis apprehendit thairwith to be depryuit of his fredome, the guid to be escheit to the seik folk in almous, and he to be banesit the toun and craft be the officiars at thair discretioun for euir mair. Item, We thinkit expedient that na freman of this craft dele nocht be pairtis man with ane vnfreman becumis his guidis vnder cullour of his awin contrair his aith, vnder pane of deprivand of his fredome and putting fra the craft and escheting of the stufe that he collouris. Item, That na fleshe be brokin nor sauld in hiddillis nor in bak houssis, bot oppinlie in the hie mercatt quhair it may be sene and sercheit be the deykin and the craft with ane officer of the toun, that the falt may be sene and pvneist, and the guides falteis to be escheit and delt; and siclyk quhair ony nolt hydis or ony vther infectit fleshe bene brokin to sell amangis guid stufe to

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the Kingis leidgeis that stufe to be escheit, and the persoun pvneist at the discretioun of the provest baillies and counsale, and be awyse of the deykin and the heidis men of the craft. Item, We think it expedient that na man of craft, candilmakeris nor vtheris, in tyme to cum, but fremenis soneis of the craft vse the craft, and that can handill it himselff baith in slaing and breking as a craftisman honestlie at his stok, and as [he] hes bene leirnit and brocht vp thairwith vnder a maister, vnder the pane of xl s. and escheitting of thair guidis assaid is and banysing of the craft. Item, we think it expedient that na man of this craft pas owtwith the toun nor send thair seruandis to by ony stufe, fishe or fleshe beif mwttoun veill lameis swyne nor kiddis fra Pashe to Mydsomer day, that all beistis may be in ply, vnder the pane of escheit; and gif a maister sendis his servand to landwart to feche ony beistis to sla at his maister has coft him selff, and nocht be his seruand under cwllour, he sall first certefie the deykin and vtheris maisteris of the craft that thai guidis was coft be the maister him selff, and nocht be the seruand, quhilk sall nocht haiff authoritie nether to by nor sell. Item, that na maister ressaue ane vther manis seruand or prenteis in seruise quhill the ishe of thair termes, and it be weryfeit to the deykin the tyme of his leive taking. Item, we think it expedient that ilk prenteis desire of the deykin and maister that lykis to vse the craft that first thai desire and obtene the fredome of the toun, and gif he [be] fund abill to be ressauit to the craf and to pay his dewteis to the craft and alter as efferis. Item, we think it expedient that the deykin serche all faltis and to pvneishe tua faltis, and the thrid falt to be pvneist be the toun with all rigour. Item, that na fleshe that hes [been] presentit [in] the mercatt tuyis and hes tynt the sessoun be put to the mercatt agane vnder the pane of escheit; nor yit that ony of our craft by ony fishe fra the vyffis nor regratours of the toun duelland in Leith. Item, that quhat persone of the craft dissobeyand the deykin in the vsing of his office foirsaid, that ane officer pas and pvneis his persoun as effeirs, and quha that beis obstinat to be put in ward quhill he amend the falt. The quhilk statutes and supplicatioun being red sene and vnderstand be the saidis provest bailleis and, counsale, thai fand the samyn consonand to ressoun, and for commoun proffeit and incressing of guid sheip fishe and fleshe, and gude reule in the toun, thai ratyfeit and appreuit the saymn in sa far as in them was in all thingis, according to the commoun proffeit, and in sua far with the help of God will autoreis the samyn. Written vnder the seill of caus of the said burgh, in corroboratioun of the samyn, day yeir and place abouewriten.

6th August 1489.

[Seal of Cause to the Cooper Craft.]

Till all and syndry quhais knawledge thir present lettres sall cum, the provest, ballies, and counsall of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in God euirlesting, wit ye that the day of the making of thir present lettres comperit befor ws sittand counsaly gadderit and for jugement within the Tolbuith of the said burgh, in the inner chalmer of the samyn, thir persouns vnder written, Alexander Browne cowpar, Jhone Richartsoun, William Coupar, Jhone Jhonsoun, and Gilbert Turnour, masteris of the Cowpar craft within the said burgh, and thar presentit till ws thair supplication and bill of complant makand mentioun that diverssis personis of the said craft quhilkis ar and has bene of lang tyme obstinat and inobedient in obseruying and keping of gud reull ordinance and statutis maid and ordaint of befor and confirmit be our predecessorires to the maisteris of the wrichtcraft for the uphald of diuine seruice and augmentatioun thairof at Sanct Jhonis altar situat in our College Kirk of Sanct Gele within the said burgh, and speciale in the withhalding and disobeying in the deliuering and paying of the oulkly penny to God and to Sanct Jhone and to the reparatioun of the said altar, and als in the disobeysance in the payment making of thar prentis siluer at thair entre, quhilk is five shilling, to the reparatioun and polesy of the said alter, nor yit will nocht pay thair dewteis at the wpsetting of thar buthis siclyke as the masters of the wrychtis ar ordaint and statut to pay, considering the said Couper craft is conformit to tharis and bundin with tham to fulfill the reulis and pay siclyke dewteis to the Sanct and altar as thai and thai lymmit togidder, and [adionit] to gadder and inbring the samyn dewteis and mak compt and rekynnyng thairof to thair dekyin and kirk maisters of the Wrichtis as efferis, and siclyke as is vsit amangis vther craftis of the said burgh, and as anentis the outlandis folkis that the said masteris of the Cowpar craft complanit vpoun lauborand and vsand thair craft and practik thairof in this tovne, passand fra hous to hous mendand and spilland nychtbouris wirk and stuf, hafand nother stob nor stake within this towne, nor yit walkis nor wardis nor yit beris sic portable chargis with tham as extentis and vtheris quhen thai occur, nor yit beand sufficient in thair labour and werkmenschip, and thairthrow neuertheles hurtis and scaithis the saidis masteris in thair fredomes and priuilegis contrar to all gud reull ordour and polecy within burgh, Quharupon the saidis masteris of the Cowpar craft besocht ws of remeid

[Seal of Cause to Coopers.] for the honour and loving of God and Sanct Jhone, and the sustentatioun and wphalding of divine seruice at his altar forsaid, patrone to the saidis craftis, The quhilk bill and supplicatioun beand red herd and vnderstandyn and diligentle considerit be ws that thair petitioun was consonant to ressoun and to the lovage of God and thair patrone forsaid, and als consonand to the commoun proffet of the said burgh, we decret ordanis and deliueris concordand to thair resonable desyris and petitioun that all the poyntis and articlis contenit in the statutis of the Wrichtis confermit be the tovne be obseruit and kepit to the masteris of the Cowpar craft, and be tham in all thingis accordand to thair craft, and quha that disobeyis tham that ane officer pas with tham and tak a poynd of the disobeyar, and mak penny [payment] thairof to the awale and quantite of the dewteis awand to Sanct Jhone the altar and chaplane thairof for the tyme, siclyk as vse and wont has bene, and at the said officeris sall caus the masteris and ingadderaris of the said dewteis to be answerit and obeyit thairvntill, and thai to mak compt rekynning and payment to the dekin and kirkmaster of the said altar, and at all the laif of the wrichtis statutis forsaid be obseruit and kepit with tham and be tham according to thair faculte; and anentis the outlandismen quhilkis prevenis tham in thair laubouris and proffetis, that officeris pas with tham and forbid and put tham fra the occupatioun thairof in this towne, bot gif thai mak residence thairvntill, and pay thair dewteis to Sanct Jhone and the craft, and be resauit thairvntill be the masteris thairof, and to fulfill the statutis aboue expremit as efferis, sa that the disobeyaris be pvnist be the officeris of the towne efter the tenour of the saidis wrichtis statutis maid of befor and confermit be our predecessouris. In witnes of the quhilk thing we haue gart append our commoun sele of caus to thir present lettres at Edinburgh the xxvj day of August the yeir of God j^{m} four hundreth auchty and nyne yeiris.

25 *June* 1490.

Assedation of Burrowmuir. (After the catalogue of *twenty-seven* names of sum honest persounis of the town berand office, and of *twelve* deikins, it is said that and in lykewyse all the haill counsale deikynis and community consentit to the assedatioun of the space of the burrowmuir. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

1 *February* 1490-1.

Swyne. Lokman. The prouest and counsall ordanis the lokman, quhaireuir he fyndis any swyne betuix the Castell and the Netherbow vpoun the gaitt or commoun throw

gangis owt of band, that he tak of euery sow to his fie iiij d., and quha that will nocht pay this that he tak the said sow and nocht pairt thairwith quhill he haif viij d., and chairges that na man tak vpoun hand to stop or mak impediment to the said lokman heirvntill vnder the payne of pvnissing of thair persounis. (Lowse leiffis.—*Tr.*) Swyne Lokman.

Circa 1490.

It is statute and ordanit that fra thyne furth thair be na watter court be haldin within the burgh but in Leyth, vnto the tyme that the reformatioun and good rewle may be had and brocht in vpoun the inormiteis iniuries and vsurpatioun maid and vsit be thame in Leyth vpoun the fredome of the towne, and quhat tymes and quhensumeuir the counsale of the town fyndis iniuries and vsurpatioun vsit vpoun the townis fredome, that all nichtbouris and all deikynis with thair craftismen be reddy daylie, quhen thai ar chairgit be the provest and bailles, be reddy to pas with thame to Leyth for the haldin of the watter court for reforming of iniuries done aganis thair fredome, vnder the payne of ane vnlaw of viij s. to be raisit and vnforgevin, and that the commoun soyt roll be red in Leyth, and he that is absent without lawfull caus to be pvnisit be the said vnlaw of viij s. ilk court. (This act in a revin leif about the daitt of 1490.—*Tr.*) Watte courtis.

Statutum tangens commune bonum. Item it is statute and ordanit be the prouest baillies counsall and deikynis of the craftis, for the commoun proffeitt of the towne and inhabiteris thairof, that in tyme to cum, at the entrie of all schips bringand in any vittaillis or tymmer at the port of Leyth, that the thesaurer of the towne that happinis to be for the tyme proffer a goddis penny and bye the same vpoun a competent pryce, gif he can, to the behuif vtility and proffeitt of the nichtbouris of the towne, and gif any of thame byes the sam in greitt mair than accordes for his awin sustentatioun and vse to sell, or euir he resaue or sell any of the saidis vittaillis or tymmer the byaris sall compeir in presens of the prouest baillies and counsall and thair declair be his greitt ayth of quhat pryce he bocht the saidis vitaillis or tymmer, and incontinent thairafter thai sall caus the belman with the handbell pas throw the towne wairnand all nichtbouris that sic vittaillis and tymmer ar to sell of sic a pryce, and than the byares thairof in greitt sall tap and sell the samyn to Anent victuals and tymmer cummand in at Leyth.

Victuals and tymmer cummand in at Leith.

the nichtbouris of the towne, sum laid sum half laid, as accordis for thair sustentatioun or for thair biggings, the tymmer of the sam pryce that thai bocht it of, and thai that byes the same in small thai sall mak fayth that it is to thair awin vse and nocht to regraitt agane, and heirvpoun the byares in greitt sall remayn thris viij dayes redy delyuerand to all nichtbouris for the payment and pryce abouewrittin, and gif thai failyie heirintill, and the first byares brekis in ony of thir thingis abouewrittin or sellis nocht the saidis vittaillis or tymmer of the samyn pryce as thai bocht the sam, it beand previt with ij persouns, thai sall pay to the kirkwerk of St Gele x li. but favoures.

Owt marrowes dischargit.

Item, that na nichtbour of the toune take ony owte marrow, and speciallie of thame dwelland in Leyth, in felowschip with him in ony merchandice bying or deling, vnder the payne of the payment of v li. to the said kirkwark but favoures to be raisit, and that na indwellar in Leyth bye ony sic vittails or tymmer in greitt bot fra the fremen of the towne, vnder the payne of escheitt of the guds that beis bocht be thame, vtherwayes to be raisit in brocht to the said kirk wark. (This act on a reiffin leif with ane daitt 1490—*Tr.*)

Byeris of Leyth in greitt.

28 *August* 1491.

Executioun of slauchter at the King's horne.

The quhilk day the persouns vnderwritten, that ar to say, James Hayne and his brother William of Bog, Jhone of Schele buklar makare, Jhone Taitt skynner, (*blank*), art and pairt of the crewale slauchter of Robert Malysoun cordiner, committit within this burgh of Edinburgh vpoun Sunday as evin last wes, the quhilkis persouns hes bene sercheit and socht be the baillies of the said burgh, schreffis within the samyn, at thair dwelling places, and cowth nocht apprehend thame, bot ar fugitiue fra the lawes for the said cryme; Quhairfore the saidis schireffis denunceit the saidis persouns our Soverane Lordis rebellis at the mercat croce of the said burgh and putt thame to the horne, becaus thai ar fugitiue fra his lawes for the said cryme, and chairgeit thairfore all and sundry our Souerane Lordis lieges that nane of thame suld howse herbery resset supple or intermet with the saidis persouns vnder the payne of deid.

[Slaughter. Patersoun.]

Item, the said day in lykewayis Jhonn Homill pynour, delatit committer of the cruell slauchter of Adame Patersoun flescheour within the said burgh, and thair in the forme aboue written he wes denunceit the Kingis rebell and putt to his horne vt supra. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

17 *January* 1491-2.

Curia capitalis burgi de Edinburgh et vicecomitatis tenta post festum Natalis in Pretorio hujusmodi burgi coram balliuis eiusdem, 17 Januarij 1491, curia affirmata, assisa. Assyse. Wheat. Malt.

[The Head Court of the Burgh and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, held after the feast of Christmas, in the Tolbuith of this Burgh, before the bailies of the same, 17 January 1491, the Court fenced.—Assize.]

The best quhett in the mercat wes fundin be ane assyse for xij s. ; item the laid of malt for xx s.

1491.

Statutum penes regimen magistrii latimi ecclesie collegiate Beati Egidij burgi de Edinburgi. [Statute anent masons of St. Giles.]

[Statute anent the government of the master masons of the College Kirk of St Giles, of the Burgh of Edinburgh.]

The quhilk day, the prouest dene of gild baillies and counsale of the burgh of Edinburgh thinkis expedient and als ordanis that thair maister masoun and the laif of his collegis and seruandis of thair kirk wark that now ar and sall happin to be for the tyme sall diligentlie fulfill and keip thair seruice at all tymes and houiris as after followes: That is to say, The said maister and his seruandis sall begyn to thair werk ilk day in somer at the straik of v houris in the morning, and to continew besylie into thair lawbour quhill viij houris thairafter, and than to pas to thair disione and to remane thairat half ane hour, and till enter agane to thair lawbouris at half hour to ix houris before none, and swa to wirk thairat quhill that xj houris be strikken, and afternone to forgather agane to thair wark at the hour of ane, and than to remayne quhill iiij houris afternone, and than to gett a recreatioun in the commoun luge be the space of half ane hour, and fra thine furth to abyde at thair lawbour continually quhill the hour of vij be strikkin: And in winter to begyn with day licht in the morning kepand the houris abouewritten, and to haif bot thair none shanks allanerly afternone, and to remayne quhill day licht be gane. And gif the said maister quhatsumeuir or his collegis and seruandis faillis in ony poyntis abouewritten, or remainis fra his said seruice ony tyme, he to be cor-

St Giles. Masons.

rectit and pvnist in his wages at the plesour of the dene of gild that sall happin to be for the tyme, as the said dene will ansuer to God and to the guid towne thairvpoun. (Lowse leiff dattit 1491.—*Tr.*)

12*th April* 1492.

Assysa on the paice of breid. Price of malt.

Curia capitalis burgi de Edinburgh post festum Pasche tenta coram balliuis ejusdem in Pretorio, 12 Aprilis 1492, curia affirmata.

[The Head Court of the Burgh of Edinburgh, held after the feast of Easter, before the bailies of the same in the Tolbuith, 12 April 1492, the Court fenced.]

It is fundin and delyuerit be ane assyse that the pais suld be gevin of the penny laiff to the baxteris after the raitt of the quheitt to x s vj d. the boll, the quhilk wes sawld in the last merkat day guid and sufficient stufe. Item, thai fynd the pryce of the malt for xviij s. the laid, and swa wes sauld guid and sufficient stufe. (This amang lowse leiffes notit 1488.—*Tr.*)

19 *Aprilis* 1492.

Proclamatio. Aill.

We command and chairge in our Souerane Lordis name, prouest and baillies of this burgh of Edinburgh, that na maner of browster or dry topster within this burgh sell or tap ony aill derare than for viij d. or xij d. the galloun, under the payne of pvnitioun extreme after the forme of the statutes maid thairvpoun at Michaelmes bygane, certefeand thame that quha dois the contrair fra this day furth the statutes sall be execute vpoun thame to the extreme with the rigour of justice, and at the first law dayes after Pasche the brekeris heirof sall haif acknawlege, and quha beis than convict sall be pvnist as said is, and gif the xij d. aill be nocht of fynare and worth the pryce that it be sawld for viij d., and ilk persoun sellares of aill haif baith xij and viij d. aile; and heirto the baillies ar sercheouris, and quha thai will lymit heirto. (Lowse leiffes..—*Tr.*)

April 1492.

(In April 1492. Is contenit *four* kepers of the commoun seill.—*Tr.*)

24 *May* 1492.

Commoun guid.

(The baillies and certane vtheris quha wer awand the toune ar chairgeit to enter in waird for the sam or enter guidis in the officeris handis, and that be the provest and counsale. (Lowse leiffes.- *Tr.*)

6 *October* 1492.

Peremptour court of twenty-one dayes.

The quhilk day it is deuysit consentit and thocht expedient be the president baillies counsale greitt dosane and deikinis that for to eschew greitt trubill and daynger that hes bene sustenit in tymes bygane be calanzears quhilkis accept thame to the court of processis and dilatour, and wald nocht obey to the haisty priuelege grantit be our Souerane Lord of the court peremptour of xxj dayes grantit to this burgh for the haisty expeditioun of justice betwix nychtbour and nychtbour of this burgh, and betwix ws and thame of straynge realmes and countreyis, that the said court peremptour of xxj dayes be obseruitt putt in vse and execute after the forme tenour and effect of our Souerane Lordis infeftments vnder his greitt seill given to us thairvpoun,[1] and gif any nichtbouris or persouns inhabitantis [of] this burgh proponis thame in the contrair heirof, it is avysit and consentit that that persoun quhatsumeuer be callit afore the provest baillies and counsale and accusit vpoun his ayth as a proponer contrair the fredome and priuelege and commoun proffeitt of this burgh. and quha sua beis convict thairvpoun the saidis provest baillies counsale greitt dossane and deikynis thinkis expedient that he be private of his fredome for euir, quhill he recover it agane at the townis hand, certifeand that gif any of our said nichtbouris or indwelleris of this burgh wald cause our said priuelege thus grantit be the Kings Hienes to [be] resort or prouokit before the lords, and swa putt it in disputatioun, that the haill body of the towne will with thair substance wisdom and guids defend the sam at their possibill power. Thir names consentit to this

[1] By a Charter under the Great Seal, dated at Edinburgh on 16th November 1482, King James the Third, in consideration of important services rendered to him by the Provost, bailies, dean of guild, treasurer, common clerk, councillors and whole community of the Burgh, granted to them and their successors the office of Sheriffship within themselves, to be exercised by the Provost as sheriff, and by the bailies as sheriffs-depute, along with a variety of other important liberties and privileges. In particular, the King, understanding by true information that the process of the Four Courts of the Burgh, holden led and used in the administration of justice at the stated times, was tedious, slow, and long, granted to the Provost, bailies, clerk, council and community, and to the sheriff, and to their successors, and their assistants and deputes, on account of the confluence, arrival, and coming to the said Burgh, as the chief burgh of the Kingdom, of strangers from other nations using and occupying merchandise, that the Provost, &c., should, for the more ready and prompt administration of justice to their own neighbours and to strangers of other nations, concerning any sums of money or merchandise, have for ever full power to appoint and hold a peremptory Court of twenty-one days, lawful publication of the said days being first made in the burgh to the neighbours of the same, and betwixt the said neighbours and strangers; and that the said Court might be holden at all times in the year as necessity required, without frivolous exceptions, dilatory pleas or counter pleas, on holy days, and as often as need were, to proceed summarily without fail. — *Original Charter in the Archives of the City.*

statute:—Sir Jhone Murray, president, Andro Bertram, James Richertsoun, Henry Prestoun, David Crawfurd, Jhone Lawder, Georgius Edwartsoun, Roger Murray, Adame Halkerstoun, Jhone Twedy, Robert Rynde, Jhone Bercare, William Knox, Jhone Quhyteheid, Henry Aichensoun, Robert Wardlaw, Jhone Levingtoun, Stevin Borthuic, Archibaldus Todrik, Thomas Turnour, Alexander Stanely, Robert Bruse, James Rychtsoun younger, Mr James Henrysoun, Androw Gray, Henry Rynde, Franskyne Peblis, James Tovnis, William Dunsyre, Thomas Harvy, David Quhyte, baxter, Thomas Esdale wobster, James Harlawbankes skynner, Jhone Flemying fleschour, Walter Martzeoun masoun, Johannem Cranstoun wricht, Thomas Ra smyth, Pat. Forester goldsmyth, David Quhyteheid, Jhone Williamsoun, and the haill body of the toun. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

(*Nota.*—This sam act in this maner insert in the convict buik begynand Julij 1505.—*Tr.*)

12*th October* 1492.

Thesaurer, escheitis.

The quhilk day it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale that in tyme to cum quhen any escheitt happynis to fall in the tounis hand be any cryme committet within this toune, that incontinent the baillies sall raise and tak the samyn and delyuer the said escheitt to the thesaurer of the towne and he to mak compt thairof to the towne siclyke as he dois of the vther commoun guidis, becaus the baillies of before appropriat sic escheittis to thameself and sufferit thame nocht to cum to the commoun proffeitt. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

19*th October* 1492.

Thesaurer.

The provest baillies and counsale hes ordanit Adame Halkerstoun thair thesaurer to intromett with the rents and proffeitts of the towne sen Michaelmes bygane, exceptand the buith males of the Martymes terme to cum, with the quhilk thai ordane Johne Patersoun thair thesaurrer of the last yeir to tak vp and intromett, and ordanis him to gif in his compts als sone as he plesis, and quhat beis fundin awand to the said Jhone the provest baillies and counsale hes grantit to gif him thair commoun seill for payment thairof sicklyke as he desyret before. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

Dusane, Seros.

It is ordanit be the hale dusane of the town that gif any of the dusane beand wairnit cumis nocht betymes for the halding of the counsale in the wirk-

ing of the commoun proffeitt, that he sall pay for ilk defalt vj[pennies?] vn[for] gevyn, to be drukken be the dusane, and gif the dene or baillies or any of thame cummis nocht within dew tyme thai sall dowbill als mekill vnforgevin. Item it is ordanit that ilk dusane day the commoun proffeitt be spokin of and sene to or ony playntis or vther thingis be hard. (Amang the leiffes of auld gild courts.—*Tr.*) Dusane, Seros.

10 *November* 1492.

The quhilk day, it is avysit consentit thocht expedient statute and ordanit be the baillies counsale and community of this burgh, for the honour and commoun proffeitt thairof, that all baxteris within this burgh that byis ony floure fra ony pairts beyond sey or within the realme, to baik saile breid of, or to sell the samyn be les mesoure or mair, sall pay to the fermorer of thair commoun myln the multure thairof as effeiris, and at na merchant within this burgh tak vpoun hand to top or sell ony floure in small bot in greitt, vnder the payne of escheit of the samyn quhaireuir it may be fundin or owertane. Baxteris. Floure merchants.

10 *November* 1492.

Item, in lyke wyis, it is statute and ordanit that na craftismen or vthers indwelleris within this towne occupy the fredome of the same, be intrometting with thair practik or craft quhateuir it be, bot gif thai be frie burgessis, or leif as stallengeris for the yeir and pay thair dewteis thairfore to the clerk as effeiris, according to the lawes of the burgh; and this statute to be extendit to all maner of vnfrie folkis, bayth merchants, browsteris, baxteris, and regratouris of fysche, butter, cheise, eggis, wyld fowlis, and all vther things sawld and occupeit within burgh. Crafts. Burgessis. Stallengeris.

22 *November* 1492.

The provest and counsall ordanis the baillies to gadder in the vnlawis of thame that set furth na fyrris, extending to iiij^{xx} personis, the ane half thairof to the stallis, and the vther to the officeris for thair labouris. Poinding for non setting furth of fyris.

12 *December* 1492.

The provest, baillies, counsal, and deykins, hes ratefeit and affermit the statute anent stallangers dated the xij day of December, etc. [j^{m} cccc], xcij because it conformis to the commoun law; and ordanis the commoun clerks [Stallangeris.]

Stallangeris. to resave the samyn to thair awin vse after the forme of the law, to be disponit with awyse of the provest.

26 *April* 1493.

[Abbot of Narent.] (Anent the Abbot of Narent callit Abbat de Narentia, se in the said [convict] buik, 26 Aprile 1493. Sielyk 4 Maii 1518, Ibid, quhair he is callit Robin Huid and Little Jhone.—*Tr.*)

1493.

Assedationes redituum burgi de Edinburgh, facte per Johannem Murray de Tulchad militem, prepositum, balliuos consules et communitatem eiusdem burgi, anno j^m^ [cccc] lxxxxiij.

[Tacks of the rents of the Burgh of Edinburgh, made by John Murray of Tulchad, knight, provost, the bailies councillors and community of said Burgh, in the year 1493.]

The setting of the mylnis. The mylnis ar set to Henry Rynd thesaurare, with the aventour of deid and weir, for the sowme of iiij^c^ and ten markis, to be payit efter the forme of the actis maid vpoun the setting of the commoun rentis.

Petie customes. The petit customes of the toun are set to Henry Rynd thesaurare for the sowme of j^c^ xv markis.

Petie customes of Leyth. The petit customes of Leith ar sett to the said Henry for j^c^ and xv markis.

Wyld aventouris. The wild aventouris set to the said Henrye for the sowme of threttene scoir of markis.

18 *July* 1494.

Frawchting. It is statut and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale of Edinburgh, that in tyme cumming the frawchts of schips within the said burgh, and shipis passand in Flanders Holland and Seyland, take the commoun clerk to thame or his deputtis for to mak thair chairtour pairty, sielyke as is commandit be our Souerane Lordis acts of parliament,[1] and at thai caus to be insert thairintill specially the sek fraucht of the schip aboue fyve lastis of guids, and vnder that birth

[1] The Acts here referred to are 1467, c. 4, and 1487, c. 15, both passed in the reign of King James the Third. [Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. II., pp. 87-178.]

of half sek frawcht to thair chaiplane of St Ninianes altare in Bruges, and at the samyn be payit now to Mr James Wawane thair present chaiplane of the samyn for his tyme, and in likewayis for the payment of the tyne frawcht hamewart to St Gelis wark after the tenour of the said act of parliament. (This in the convict buik begynand 1505 Julij.—*Tr.*) Frawchting.

20 *October* 1494.

It is avysit statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale for the commoun proffeitt, that in tyme to cum that all maner of wyld fowle brocht to this burgh to sell that the sellaris thairof putt thame oppinly to the merkett, to be commonly sawld till our Souerane Lordis lieges at the merkat croce, and nocht vnder covert, vnder pane of escheitt to the owertakare; and at thai sell na powderit geis, bot qwik or fresche powlit, vnder the payne of escheitt quhair the contrare beis funden, and ponesing of their pyrsouns to the rigour but favouris; and at thai sell the paitriks na dairer nor xij d. the cupill, and the cuppill pluvoris for vj d., and the laif of the wyld fowlis according thairto; and at na flescheour tak vpoun hand to powder ony flesche to sell vnder payne of escheitt; and at bayth fremen and vnfremen obserue and keip thir said statutes vnder the paynes aboue written. (Ibid.—*Tr.*) Powltre. Powderit geis. Fleschouris.

23 *October* 1494.

It is avysit and thocht expedient statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale that the browsteris ȝeild be gadderit incontinent be the baillies, that is to say of euery browstare and dry topstare within [the burgh] be taikin and raisit xij d. in the yeir, and [that] be the baillies that sall happin to be for the tyme, and delyuerit till Edinburgh the townis messinger and seriand, for to be exponit and wairit vpoun the reparatioun of thair commoun wellis of the towne be the maisters of the wark lymmit thairto, and to be obseruit and kepit be the said messinger in a close lokkit buist, and compt to be maid and delyuerit thairof, becaus it is clerely vnderstand [to be for the] commoun proffeit for the haill nychtbouris of the toune, and specially for the said browsteris and tapsteris that vsis the same, and first to begyn at the new well, and swa about till continew quhair it sall be thocht maist expedient; and this ȝeild to be gadderit yeirly anes in the yeir quhill the haill wellis be completly endit furnist and putt to poynt as efferis for the honour and commoun proffeitt of the haill toune. (Ibid.—*Tr.*) [Tax of the browsters for the common wells.]

8 *November* 1494.

Wawponis in buithis.

It is avysit thocht expedient statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale of this burgh, with avyse and consent of the haill body of the toune, to the intent for till eschew at thair guidlie power the dyvers and mony barganis and tulyeis that hes bene committit in tymes bygane into this toune vpoun the Hie Streitt, and throw the quihilkis thair hes bene sundrie slauchteris bene committit, that thairfore all and sundry nychtboures and inhabiters [of] this toune bayth merchandmen and craftismen fra this tyme furth haif reddy into thair buithis besyde thame thair defensabill geir, sic as jak, sellat, briggantenis, gluiffis of plaitt, a handaix or a sword, or at the leist the said aix or sword with sellat and gluiffis [of] plate, to relief thairwith and cum to the provest baillies or quartermaisteris quhen ony sic suddane tulyeis or bargannis happinis, throw the quhilk guid rewle may be had bayth day and nicht and the honour of the toune obseruet and kepit; and that ilk persoun haif this said furnist geir besyde him, sic as he may furnis and accordis for his substance to haif, within viij dayes nexttocum; certefeand thame that the officeris will ger serche the samyn, and quha swa beis owertane nocht haveand the said geir sall pay the vnlaw of viij s. als oft as it happinis to be raisit to the kirkwark but favouris, etc.

It is avysit ordanit and thocht expedient be the provest baillies and counsale, in augmentatioun of the statute abouewritten, to the intent that it sall be the mair diligently obseruit, that the vnlaw be raisit be the baillies and appropriat the sam to their awin vse, and at thai rais the samyn but favouris als oft as it happinis; and at ilk seriand haif a guid cutmais or bastero all tyme at his belt vnder the payne of depriuatioun of his office.

Seriandis.

8 *November* 1494.

Thesaurer. Compts.

It is avysit thocht expedient statute and ordainit be the provest baillies and counsale, with avyse of the honorabill persouns of the toun, for the commoun weill and proffeitt of thair commoun guidis, that in tyme to cum that the thesaurer of the yeir bygane gif his compt betwix the tyme of the chesing of the lyttis for the officeris and the day of thair electioun, throw the quhilk thai may consider how it standis with thame in thair commoun guidis agane the nixt assedatioun, vnder the payne of his persoun to remayne in wairding of his persoun within this inner chawmer quhill he gif in his said compt but fauouris;

and gif he be superexpendit that he remayne with the Mairtymes maillis, and gif he be nocht superexpendit that the new thesaurer intermett with the samyn. Compts.

2 *January* 1494-5.

It is be the said provest baillies counsale and honorabill persouns avysit and thocht expedient for the commoun proffeitt of the towne, that quhat persoun or personis that ar fermoureris of ony of the commoun rents of the towne or that hes ony of the commoun guidis in thair handis, that thai be chairgeit in warde be the provest or baillies thair to remayne vpoun thair awin expenssis quhill thai mak payment of the said sowmes and guidis. Town rent.

24 *February* 1495.

Curia tenta coram balliuis xxiiij Februarij j^{m} [cccc] lxxxxv^{o} yeiris.

Assisa.

Wat Cant, Laurence Wallace, Henrie Thomesoun, Cuthbert Baird, Jhone Brown, George Young, Jhone Lawder, Will Lokhart, Cuthbert Lanerok, Richart Wilsoun, Jhone Alansoun, Jhone Rowat.

The quhilk day this assys fand and delyuerit that the best quheit in the merket the last Monunday was sauld for vj s. viij d., and the secundare for vj s., quhairfor the court avysit and thocht expedient that the pais be gevin according to the saidis pryces. Act baxteris.

Robert Scott, Thomas Hommill, Williame Persoun, Matho Blak, Willie Thomesoun, Bartilmo Ker, Alane Cokkye, Williame Ley, Jhone Scot, Dauid Clerk, Rob Roger, Andro Culydaf, Adam Suord, James Cartar, Martene Hunter, Williame Speus, Symoun Thomesoun, Jhone Gordoun, Rob Clerk, Jhone King, Jhone Ewin, Williame Cliddisdaill. All this persones baxteris war convict be ane assys of the lying of Franche flour and selling and regraiting of it agane vpoun the nychtbouris and the Kingis liegis, quhairfore thai war adiugit to be punyst at the discretioun of the provest baillies and counsall according to the lawis, and thai ar wairnit *apud acta* till compeir on Fryday till vnderly the said punissionis that was gevin for dome.

The assys fand the quheit in the market the last market day at xj s. and ordanis thame to furneis the pais according thairto, quhilk is xiij vnces iij quarteris for the penny laif.

10 *November* 1496.

Schippis. It is auisit thocht expedient statute and ordanit that quha sa takis the wyld auentouris sall do on this wyse, that at the entres of all schippis and euerye ane of thame the entre thairof salbe takin commounlie in the Tolbuith, and that nane be tane bot thair and in presens of the thesaurer that salhappin to be for the tyme, to the intent that the nychtbouris may heir the samyn openlie, and gif ony guidis beis onenterit that it may be considerit vpoun the escheit be the thesaurer quhilk pertenis to the tovne to be apprisit to thair vse efter the auld reul and consuetude, and the customes to be to the thesaurer of the guidis that beis enterit and na mair.

The setting of the mylnis. The quhilk day, it is thocht expedient statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsall, that quha sa takis the commoun rentis sall do on this ways, viz., that the fermoraris thairof sall pay away a monethis payment befoir for the payment of the tovnis dettis that thay ar awand, and for the keping of thair credence thairintill, and as for the mylnis thay to be delyuerit with gangand graith and watter tycht, and sa to be delyuerit agane be the fermorar but ony clame or questioun.

8 *March* 1496-7.

The ordoure of the setting of the commoun mylnis and commoun gude of the toun efter the auld maner.

Setting of the mylnis and commoun renttis, etc. The quhilk day, it is auisit thocht expedient statute and ordanit be the prouest baillies and counsale of the toun, becaus of the greit diuisioun and variance betwix the toun and fermoraris of the mylnis in tyme bigane anent the vphalding of the mylnis and dammys and the vther thingis thairof, that quha sa takis the saidis mylnis in tyme to cum sall fulfill and do on this wyse, viz., to tak thame with all aventouris of deid and weir, spait and watter, and all vther aventours and caissis of fortoun or casualiteis, and to resaif thame at the Mertymes day at none as they salhappin to be at the tyme, and sall that yeir vphald the saidis mylnis in all maner of gangand grayth bigingis and vtheris, and in ledys and dammys as thay will be seruit, vpoun thair awin expens, and deliuer thame at the nixt Mertymes in siclyke wyse as he resauis thame, and to pay the males that beis promittit at the taiking of thame; and quhidder that

mylnis and dammys be brokin and had away be tempest of wedder, spait or vtherwyse, nathing to be defalkit nor allowit thairfor, bot to be delyuerit in sic stait and kynde as thay ressauit thame with the myln males as said is. Item, that na mannis pennye be tane for the assedatioun of the commoun rentis that aw onye sowmes to the toun. Item, gif ony flour meill or victuallis cummis in the mercat and happinis to be allegit be the fermoraris that thai ar hurt thairthrow, nathing to be defalkit thairfoir. Item, at ilk assedatioun that this statute be red that in tyme cumming ignorance be nocht allegit. Item, that the provest strike to till na man that biddis for the commoun rentis, bot that he tak souertie thairfoir as he will ansuer to the toun as dettour for the samyn, and at ilk xl dayis end the fermoraris pay thair ferme according to the rait of the assedatioun, and gif it beis nocht payit than the provest to charge the fermorar and his souerteis in waird thair to remane quhill it be payit, and quha that relevis thame that thay be put in waird and remane thair quhill the said ferme be payit. Setting of the mylnis, &c.

22*nd September* 1497.

It is our Soueraine Lordis will, and the command of the lordis of his counsale send to the provest and baillies within this burgh, that this proclamatioun followand be put till executioun for the eschewing of the greit appearand dainger of the infectioun of his liegis fra this contagius seiknes callit the grandgor, and the greit vther skayth that may occure to his legeis and inhabitouris within this burgh, that is to say: We charge straitlie and commandis be the authoritie aboue writtin, that all maner of personis, being within the fredome of this burgh, quhilkis ar infectit or hes bene infectit vncurit with this said contagious plage callit the grandgor, devoyd red and pas furth of this toun and compeir vpoun the sandis of Leith at x houris befoir none, and thair sall thai haue and fynd botis reddie in the havin ordanit to thame be the officeris of this burgh reddely furneist with victuallis to have thame to the Inche, and thair to remane quhill God prouyde for thair health; and that all vther personis the quhilkis takis vpoun thame to hale the said contagious infirmitie, and takis the cure thairof, that thay devoyd and pas with thame, sua that nane of thir personis quhilkis takis sic cure vpoun thame vse the samyn cure within this burgh in presens nor peirt ony maner of way; and quha sa beis fundin infectit and nocht passand to the Inche as said is be Monounday at the Ane grandgore act.

sone ganging to, and in lykwayis the saidis personis that takis the said cure of sanitie vpoun thame gif thai will vse the samyn, thai and ilk of thame salbe brynt on the cheik with the marking irne that thai may be kennit in tyme to cum, and thairefter gif ony of thame remainis that tha salbe banist but favouris.

22 *February* 1497-8.

The frauchting of schips.

Androw Bertam frauchtet for xxj and xxij[s?] he fulfilland the acts of parliament and the statute of the towne, and hes fundin souerty Th Chisholme for the fulfilling of the said statute, and specially for the tun fraucht to St. Gele. (Lowse leffis.—*Tr.*)

William Gray hes lattin the inliane schip to fraucht to the frauchtismen for xxj and xxij[s?], etc. (Lowse leffes.—*Tr.*)

27 *February* 1497-8.

Villa Leith. Cant.

The baillies and counsall ordanis the officeris to pas to Jhone Cant, induellar of Leith, and command and charge him in the Kingis name and the townis to tak doun his corbell he hes furth for a stare to be biggit vpoun thair commoun streitt towart thair havin, with certificatioun that he do nocht that the said officeris tak thame doun incontinent, and he is wairnit heirto in jugement be the baillies.

28 *March* 1498.

[Pest.]

It is avysit and thocht expedient be the provest baillies and counsale, forswamekill as thai ar sikkerly informit that Swanstoun, the parochin of Curry, Vnder Crawmound, Gratale, Degarne, and the parochin of Hailles are infectit with this contagious infirmity of pestilence, quhairfore we chairge straitly and commandis in our Souerane Lord the Kingis name and ours, that na manner of personis dwelland within the saidis boundis addres thame to cum to this toun and enter within the samyn under the payne of deid; and at na indwelleris within this burgh and boundis thairof howse harbery or resett ony of the said personis, or thair guidis, [or] ony vtheris of suspect places, according to the first acts, vnder the payne of byrning of all thair moveabil gudis and banesing of this toune for all the dayes of their lyffes, bot gif thai haif first licence heirvpoun be the provest and baillies.

10 *August* 1498.

Anent having of wapponis in buthis.

It is avisit thocht expedient statute and ordanit be the provest, Sir Thomas Tod, Williame Carmichaell, Thomas Chisholme, and James Aikman, baillies, [and] the hale counsall with the avise and consent of the haill bodye of the toun, for the honour of our Souerane Lord the King, the honestie and proffeit of this burgh, to the intent and to eschew at thair guidlie power the diuers and mony barganis and tulyeis in tyme to cum that hes bene committit in tymes bygane vpoun the hie streittis within this toun, and vther pairtis thairof, throw the quhilkis syndrie slauchteris and vther violenses hese bene committit, that heirfor all and syndrie nichtbouris and inhabitantis of this toun in all pairtis thairof haue redy in thair buithis, baith merchandmen and craftismen, fra this tyme furth besyde thame thair defensabill geir, sic as jak, sellet, burgandynis, glufis of plait, and ane hand ax or sword, or at the leist the said ax or sword, with sellit and glufis of plait, to releif thairwith and cum to thair provest and baillies and quarter maisteris incontinent quhane ony sic thingis occurris, and to pas with thair said officiaris thus bodin quhair it sall be thocht expedient to thame, for the Kingis honour and defens of the heretage and priuilege of the toun als oft as neid beis, that heir throw guid reull may be had into the toun bayth day and nycht, and the ordour and priuileges thairof obseruit and kepit; and quhat nychtbour that aperis nocht to his said officeris thus bodin as said is, he beand present in the toun, he sall pay xx li. to the kirk werk als oft as it hapinis; and quhat nychtbour or indueller that faltis and is nocht of substance to pay this xx li., he to be set on the goif and thair haldin thrie dayis, and the caus of his goving descriuit in writt besyde him, and thairefter banneist the toun and boundis thairof endurand the will of the provest baillies and counsall for the tyme; and that ilk nychtbour and indueller foirsaid haue this said furneist geir beside him in his buith, sic as he may furneis to, as accordis for his substance to haue, within viij dayis nyxttocum; certifeand thame that the officeris will gar serche the samyn, and quha sa beis ouertane, nocht haifand the samyn geir, sal pay the vnlaw of viij s. als oft as it hapinis, and thir vnlawis and the said sowmes of xx li. quhan thai happin to fall to be tane rasit and inbrocht to the kirkwark, but fauouris.

10 *November* 1498.

[Freighting of ships.]

[The ordinance of 10 November 1496 in regard to the freighting of ships was re-enacted of this date.]

17 *November* 1498.

[Harbering infectit persons.] It is avysit statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale, be the grace of Almychtie God, in als far as thai may be diligence till eschew the daynger of perilous seiknes of pestilence now rissin in the eist pairts and lairgelie spreid, that heirfore in tyme to cum thai charge and commandis in our Souerane Lord the Kingis name and thairis, that ony persoun dwelland within this burgh and bounds thairof tak vpoun hand till hous harbery or ressett ony maner of persoun on hors bak or on fute within thair hous place or stabils, riche or pure, les than thai cum first to the baillies of the toun and mak it knawin to thame, and that the said baillies give them licence thairto, vnder the payne to thame that brekis heirinto of banesing of this towne and confiscation of all thair guids to the vse of the commoun warkis of the toune but favouris; and in lykewayes that nane pas to Glasquow but licence, vnder payne of haldin furth for xl dayes.

Watche. Item, in lykewys, because thai haif devysit and ordanit a watche to be within the said toune and thairabout, that ony persoun thairfore that sall happin to be chosin on the said watche, other for nycht or day, tak vpoun hand to resave or latt in the said toune ony of the said persouns aboue expremit, les than thai schaw it first to the said officeris vnder the said payne; and that na maner of persoun presume or tak vpoun hand to cum within the said towne at bak postrouns or heid dykes or ony vther priuate places bot at the principall entries of the said towne, vnder the payne of corporate pvnitioun to be imputt to thame fundin doand the contrair heirof, sic as cutting of thair eiris, byrning of thair cheiks, and banesing of the towne.

Entering in the toune.

Inglis clayth. Item, it is statute in lykewyis and forbidden that ony manner of persoun Inglis or Scottis or ony vtheris tak vpoun hand to bring ony Inglis clayth to this towne in ony pairts vnder the payne of byrning; and gif ony Inglis clayth be brocht to this towne or within this towne within thir viij dayes bygane, that incontinent it be had away furth of the toune and bounds thairof, vnder the payne of byrning the same incontinent but favouris. Alswa, it is statut, eikand to the first statutes, that na maner of bairnis be sene vagand on the gaitt nor yitt in the kirkis, vnder the payne of xl s. to be payit to the commoun werkis be the parents of the barnis within xiij yeris of aige, and vtheris that hes na parents to pay that thai be putt in the netherholl.

Bairnis [vagand.]

Item, that na maner of persouns be fund walkand on the gaitt fra x houris furth of the nycht, vnder the payne of putting in the netherhole incontinent, exceptand folkis of honesty passand thair leifull airands, and at thai haif bowetts or candillis within thair [hands ?], in taikin thairof. [Nicht-walkers.]

Item, that all tavernis and ailhous be closit in fra the said hour furth; and als that all scuillis scail and nane to be haldin; and at the childer dwelland to landwart remoue to thair friends incontinent, and thair to remayne quhill God provyde remeid. Tavernis.

8-11 *January* 1498-9.

(The haill browsters wer in vse to [be] callit in and convict for breking the statutes, as at 8 January 1498 thair is callit and convict at anes to the nummer of fyftie wyffes. The xj of January the said yeir the nummer of sixty wyffes.—*Tr.*) [Brousters convict.]

6 *February* 1498-9.

It is avysit and statute, in augmentatioun of the first statute,[1] that na maner of persoun pas furth of this toune to bye or bring in within this towne ony maner of merchandise, sic as woll, skynnis, hyds, or clayth, bot gif thai haif licence of the baillies and counsale, and with that that thai bring sufficient testimonialls that thai ar cum in furth of clene places, vnder the payne of byrning of the stufe and halding furth of the persouns brekares of this statute furth of the town. [Pest.]

Item, that na maner of stufe nor victuallis be brocht nor resauit into this towne out of na maner of suspect places, vnder payne of byrning and banesing of the bringares. Vittales.

26 *April* 1499.

(Ane statute vpoun the bwrial, that all croces be presentet first to the Hie Kirk, than had to the place quhair thai wald haif bene bureit. (This in the convict buik begynnand 5 July 1505.—*Tr.*) [Burial.]

27 *April* 1499.

It is statute that na persoun sell nor tap derrer beir than for xvj d. the galloun, vnder the payne of strikkin furth of the heid of the barrell and deilling of the beir. Beir.

[1] Viz., that of 17 November 1498, given above.

[Pest.] It is statute and forbidden that ony persouns dwelling within this towne howse harbery or resett ony persouns of Hadingtoun [or] Kelso, considering the seikness is largelie spred thair, vnder the payne of deid, and als that nane of thame cum within this towne vnder payne of byrning on thair cheiks with hett yrne and banesing furth of the same.

[Pest.] Item, that na maner of persoun indwellare of this towne pas till Peblis for ony maner of airands without leif askit and obtenit fra the officeris, provest or baillies, vnder the payne of withalding furth of the town and banesing but favouris.

8 *June* 1499.

Dogs and Swyne. It is statute and ordanit that all maner of persouns within this burgh, haffand dogs or swyne, sall observe and keip thame in hous and band, swa that quhair thai may be fundin in the contrair within this burgh, in hie streits or venellis, thai to be slayne be the persouns limit thairto.

Bairnes. Item, that na maner of bairnis within xv yeirs of aige be fundin on the gaitt or in streitts or in the kirk, vagand, vnder the payne to the said bairnis of putting of thame in the stoks and scurgeing of thame with wands.

Scholes. Item, it is forbidden that ony scholes be halden be ony maner of persouns, men or women, vnder the payne to the haldare of bannesing this towne.

Buithes. Item, it is forbidden that ony maner of buithes be oppin to mak merchandice into, or that ony merkett be maid at the ports of this burgh or thairabout, vnder the payne of escheitt of the guidis quhair it may be fundin, bot favouris.

Vittales, Leith. Item, that all persouns of this towne haiffand ony vittales of corn wyne and floure in Leyth, that thai bring up the samyn to this towne in all guidlie and possibill haist, for thai heif declairit to the keperis and rewlares of Leyth that thai latt in na persouns thairin to by ony maner of vittales.

27 *November* 1499.

Penes mundationem ville. The quhilk day, the provest baillies and cousale hes statute and ordanit that thair be tane of ilk man of substance that hes thair howse to clenge, x s. to the clengers and berares thairof, and of vtheris v s., and of the puir according to the faculty of thair substance.

[Clengers.] Thir to be clengeares of all guids beand within infectit places or presumit swa, and till haif vtheris vnder thame and with thame to sufficient

nummer, ma or feware as sall be thocht expedient be the provest baillies and counsale, and ilk ane of thame to haif for their wadges xij d. in the day, becaus thair lawbouris ar heavy and dayngerous, viz., Will Rae, George Stewart, James Galoway, Alexander Stobo.

(Followes ane number of persouns quha hes drawin and oblist them selffis lands and guidis that thair houssis and guidis sum ar clengeit [and] sum to be clengeit as thai will answer to the King and towne, and sum fyndes souerties. (Lowe leiffis—*Tr.*) [Clenging houses.]

19 *February* 1499-1500.

The provest baillies and counsale hes statute and ordanit that yitt as befor, for the commoun weill and proffeitt of the towne, that all the pairts of the toune be clengeit of all infect guidis and presumit to be infect, in this wyse, —that every person inhabitare within this towne presumit dangerous, as said is, that within viij dayes next following this day thai and ilk ane of thame purge and clenge thair said hous and all maner of stufe being thairintill be watter and fyre as hes bene vsit in tyme bygane, vnder the payne of destructioun and byrning of thair guids infect or suspect, and banesing thame selffis the towne for all the dayes of thair lyfes but favouris, and quhat persoun that beis convict be ane inqueist slewthfaa a heirintilll and doand in the contrare heirof, nocht fulfilland this statute within the said time, sall be pvnist as said is to the rigour; and this clengeing to be maid at the rynnand Watter of Leyth, and na vther place, nother wellis, nor yitt at the Sowth Loch, nor yitt the North Loch, vnder the said payne. Clengeing.

Item, thai haif devysit to haif fyve persouns, viz. Dauid Halis and iiij young habill persouns with him, to be berares and clengearis within this toune, to do and execute their lawbouris thairintill quhen ony sic aventures or cais occurris and happinis, and thir persouns to haif a signe and taikin, viz a littill quhyte wand iij quarteris lang with a hupe of quhyte irne at the end, and that wand to be born in thair hands opinly at thai may be kend, and at thai hald thame be thameself togidder, and nocht to cum nor vse amangs vther folks quhill God provyde remeid; and thai to heir mes in the hospitile of St Mary Wynd; and thir persouns to haif ilk ane of thame in standand waidges vj d. ilk day; and quhen thai mak ony erding of cors or clengeing of hous thai sall haif rewaird thairfor at the discretioun of the provest baillies and counsale; and Clengers.

quhen thai ar vacand for eirding and clenging thai to lawbour vpoun the covering and casting of the kirk yairds quhair neid is and vther places, considering thai haif a standand wage.

26 *February* 1499-1500.

Seruandis. Item, that na servand bye nor tak na maner of stufe of clething nor habilyementis without the maister or husy or bayth haif knawlege thairof, vnder the payne of byrning and banesing the toune.

It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale, for certane causes concerning the common weill and proffeitt of this toune, conformand to dyuers statutes maid of before, that na maner of persoun tak vpoun hand to bring ony merkett stufe, woll, hyde, clayth, or skin, nor nane vther maner of stufe except vittalis allanerly, and that they cum furth of vnsuspect places of seiknes to sell and mak merkett of, or till hous it within the toune, vnder the payne of Marketts. escheitt; and for that intent thai crye downe the markets nane to be halden quhill St Geillis day next to cum, and that na nychtboures within this toune Harberyng. house harbery nor ressett na manner of persoun nor thair guidis cummand fra the landwart without leiff of the officeris, provest and baillies, vnder the payne to the meu of strikkin throw the hand and banesing the toune, and to the woman of byrning on the cheik and banesing; and that na nychtbour nor in- Leyth. dwellare of this toune, seruands nor vthers, pas to Leyth without leiff of the officeris foresaidis vnder said paynis; nor that nane of Leyth cum nor repair in this toune quhill the said terme but leif vnder the said paynes; and in likewayes this statute till extend vpoun all persouns dwelland in suspect places quhatsomever, and till indure quhill the said feist of St Geillis.

1499.

Anent fraucht- ing of schippis. It is ordanit be the provest and counsall of the toun, for the commoun guid of merchandis, at thir persons vnder written, that is to say, Patrick Baroun, William Rynd, James Achesoun, William Dunsyare, James Towris, Will Thomesoun, Jhone Makclellane be frauchtismen of the toun for this yeir, the quhilkis sall fraucht all schippis that sall laid at the port of Leith; and quhane ony shippis ar to be frauchtit, the saidis frauchtsmen all or four of thame at the leist, with the commoun clerk and ane baillie, sitt down with the skipper and na ma merchandis and do thair diligence and cair to fraucht all

schippis of the leist and maist resonable pryces to the commoun proffeitt of all merchandis, and vpoun the conditioun and frauchting of ilk schip the clerk sal mak ane charter partie vnder his signe manuell, the merchandis haiffand the ane half the skipper the vther half, contenand in it the pointtis contenit in our Souerane Lordis act of parliament of frauchting of schippis;[1] and that the watter baillie suffer no schip to saill efter he be frauchtit quhill the maister schaw his charter pairtie vnder the clerkis hand, and failyeand thairof to tak ane pain quhill he bring it; and that the merchandis pay na fraucht nother heir nor beyound the say quhill the chartour pairtie be schawin and the day lemmit thairto be obseruit and keipit; and that na merchandis sit with the frauchtismen vnder the pane of viij s.

Anent the bedrentis of Sanct Mary's Wynd.

It is ordanit be the counsall of the toun that all the almois oblatiouns and revenewis that cummis [or] may be purchest to the pure bedrentis in the hospitall of Sanct Marye Wynd sall be disponit and wairit vpoun the said bedrentis; and the chapellane to haif for his fe to serue thame of mess and sacramentis of halie kirk x li. of the commoun purs, and to serue thairfore in the queir as the laif of the college dois; and for helping of the pure bedrentis to thair sustentatioun, ilk nychtbour of the toun, honest persouns, sall pas his day about in the toun and procure almois to thame, and the chapellane to gif compt of his expenssis and waring to the dene of gild ilk xl dayis anys, and to be written be the dene in his buke; and quha that refusses to pas and procuris nocht the almois sall pay xl d. to thair sustentatioun, and heirvpoun the chapellane sall begyne at Witsunday nixttocum to his service, and to gif his bodelye ayth to the fulfilling of thir poynttis.

April 1500.

Assysa capitalis.

(In the lowse leiffis of the daitt the (*blank*) day of Aprile 1500 is contenit as followes.—*Tr.*):

Assisa capitalis curiæ:—Johanne Williamsoun, William Bothuele, Jhone of Burgoun, Jhone of Glen, Will Lokart, Jhone Cowpland, Bartilmo Ward-

[1] The Acts here referred to are 1467, c. 4, and 1487, c. 15, both passed in the reign of King James the Third.—[Acts of the Parliament of Scotland, vol. II., pp. 87–178.]

law, Alexander Gally, Walter Young, Alexander Aldoth, Jhone Symsoun, Jhone Blakstok, Robert Jossy, Thom Otterburne, Jhone of Dey.

The assyse fand the boll of quheitt vj s. viij d. the boll.

Item the pryce of malt, the laid xx s.

20 *August* 1500.

Seal of Cause to Walkers.

Till all and syndry quhais knowlege thir present letteres sall tocum, the provest ballies and counsall of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in the sone of the glorious Virgine, Sene it efferis till ws of our officis to declair the verite of all thingis pronuncit desyrit and ordanit befor ws in jugement, heirfor it is that to youre vniuersiteis we mak it knawin that thare comperit befor ws sittand counsaly gaderit in to the Tolbuthe of the said burgh the masteris and craftismen of the Walkaris and Scheraris of claith within the burgh, that is to say, Williame Steill dekin, Patrik Frry, the spous of vmquhile Johne Balfour, the spous of vmquhile Johne Yule, James Hog, Johne Gray, Robert Costrall, Robert Bard and George Weir, for thame self and in the name and behalf of the haill brethir of the said craft, the quhilkis present till ws thare supplicatioun desyrand for the lovage of God, worschip and polece of this burgh and commoun proffitt of the nichtbouris thairof and all vtheris reparand thairto, and for Godis scruice to be done at thare altare of Sanctis Mark, Philip, and Jacob, foundit and biggit be thame in oure College Kirk of Sanct Geill of the said burgh, and for the anornyng and reperalling of the samyn, that we wald graunt to thame thir diuisis priuelegis statutis and reulis vndirwrittin, conformand and syklyke as vthir faculteis and craftis has within this burgh accordand for thame, and we wald cause the samyn to be obseruit and kepit amangis thame of the said craft, and autorist be ws insafer as we haue autorite and powere:—The tenour of the quhilk suplicatioun followis in this maner, that is to say. In the first that we may haue faculte and powere yeirlie to cheis our kirkmaister of the said altar as vthir craftis dois; and at euery freman of our saidis craftis pay for the vpsett of his buthe five croonis vsuall mony of Scotland, and or he sett wp buthe that he be examit be foure maisteris of the said craft quhether he be abill and worthy thairto or nocht to serue the nichtbouris of the toone and vtheris reparand thairto, and gif he be fundin abill to sett vp buthe that he be worth of his awin substance thre pair of scheris and of powere to pay ane steik of hewit claith, swa that gif ony falt standis in him he to satefy

the pairty sustenand the scaith; and at euery master of our saidis craftis that takis ane prenteis to pay at his entre ten schillingis to the sustentatioun of Godis seruice to be done at the said alter; and gif it sall happin ony maister of the saidis craftis to tak or ressave ane vthir masteris prenteis, seruand or wagit man, he sall pay tuenty schillingis Scottis mony to the said alter; and gif ony personis of the saidis craftis beis ouertane wyrkand with cardis notit or previt apone him he sall pay for ilk tyme he beis ouertane or tayntit thairwith fivetene schillingis Scottis mony, to be distribuit in this wys, five schillingis to Sanct Gelis werk, five schillingis to our said alter, and five schillingis to the findar quhat euir he be, and at the kirkmaister for the tyme and ane honest man of the saidis craftis with him may pas to the nichbouris tharof in sobir wys for the ingathering of thir dewiteis and sowmes aboue expremit to the vphald of Godis seruice at our said alter and the ornamentis of the samyn, buke, challice, vestimentis and siklike neidfull thingis, and gif neid beis tharfor till poynd and distrenye with ane officiar of the tovne as efferis; and now becaus the communite of our craft Walkaris and Scheraris within this tovne walkis wardis extentis and beris all vthir commoun chargis within this tovne, and the outland walkaris and scheraris duelland vtouth the fredome of this burgh takkis the werk of the nichtbouris and wynnyn tharof and beris na portable chargis within this tovne, that thairfor ilk out walkar or scherar of claith to landward cumand within this tovne and takand the stuf thairof till wyrk sall pay ilk oulk ane penny, quhilk is bot small valour, till vphald the devyne seruice at the said altar of Sanct Mark, Philip, and Jacob, to be ingatherit be the dekin and kirkmasteris of the saidis craftis for the tyme; the quhilkis desiris statutis diuisis and reulis was thocht expedient and conuenient for the lovage of God, honour and polecy for the said kirk and this burgh, and for the commoun proffitt of the samyn and of all our Souerane Lordis liegis, we be thir our present letteres ratifiis and approvis, and alslang as it salbe thocht expedient till ws and our successouris, provest ballies and counsale of this said burgh, for the commoun wele and proffitt of the samyn confirmis, interponand our autorite for the obseruyng and keping of the premissis safer as we haue powar according to the desyre of the saidis craftismen: And this to all and sundry quham it efferis or may effeir we mak it knawin be thir our present letteres, writtin vndir our commoun seill of cause of the said burgh, at Edinburgh the tuenty day of the moneth of August the yeir of God ane thousand five hundreth.

Seal of Cause to Walkers

26 August 1500.

[Heal of cause to Taylors.]

Till all and sindry to quhais knawlege thir present letters sall cum, The provost, baillies, and counsall of Edinburgh, greting in God everlesting. Wit zour Universatie, that the day and dait of the making of thir present lettres, comperit before us in counsall gatherit, John Steill, kirkmaister; George Bell, William Hockburne, Johne Quhyte, Robert Richartsoun, Johne of Lauder, William Lamb, Thomas Foulare, William Dick, Morice Slemy, and the haile of the ministeris of the talzeor craft within this burgh, and put till us thare supplicatioun, contenand certane statutis and rewlis devisit be thame, to be affirmit be us, for the loving of God Almichty, the honour of the realme, the worschip and profit of this gude towne, and the profit of all our soverane lordis, liegis, and utheris repairand thareto; of the quhilk supplicatioun, the tenore followis:—My Lordis Provest, baillies, and worthie counsale of this nobill towne, unto zoure honorable discretionis, richt humily menis and schawis the kirk-maistir, and the haile of the masteris of the talzour craft within this burgh, that first for the loving (praise) of Almichty God, the honore of the realme, the worschip and profitt of this gude towne, and the profitt of all oure soverane lordis leigis, and utheris repairand thareto, and in exempill of utheris, and for the augmentatioun of Divine service at the altar of Sanct Au, oure matrone of the samen, situate within the College Kirk of Sanct Geile of the said burgh. We desyre that we micht have thir statutis, articulis, and rewlis followand, grantit and gevin till us be zour autoritie, quarethrow gude rewle and gyding may be had amangis us of the said craft, baith masteris and servandis, and oure successoris, considering it is saide be comone auctorite, that multitude but reull makis confusion, and to eschew the vice thereof, and be extruit in tyme to cum, thir followand ar oure rationable desyris:—In the first, That for the several encreamentis of vertue, practick and knawledge, standis in gude begynning and foundment, and fra thine furth to continew in vertue, and persevere to thair end: That fra thine furth, all manir of prentice to be tane at the said craft, sall stand in prenteischip for the space and termes of sevin zeris, and na less, without dispensatioun of the principall master of the said craft, and specialie favour of the seniys of the said craft, and ilk prentice to pay at his entrie, to the reparatioun and uphalding of Divine service and oure said altar, ten schillingis; and that nouther thir prenticis, nor nane othyr persoun of the said craft, be sufferit to set up buth within this said

burgh, without he be fundin sufficient, habill and worthy thairto, in practick and utherwayis, and admittit thareto, first be the sworne masters of the craft, and maid freman and burgess of the said burgh; and for his upsett, to pay forty schillings to the reparatioun and uphalding Divine service at oure said altar. And that na maner of master of the said craft to hous, harber or reset any uther master's prentice or servand; and gif he dow, he sall pay ane contribution and taxt to oure said altare, at the discretioun of oure said sworn masteris principall of the saids craft, and the cause thereof to be reformit be thame: And that ilk master haldane buth within this said burgh of the said craft sall pay his wolkly penny to the reparatioun of the adhornementis of our saids altare, and to sustene the preistis mete thereof, as it cummys about; and that the said kirkmaster and certane of the principall masteris of the said craft, that sall happin to be for the tyme, may have full facultie, leife and privilege, with ane officare of the toune, to pas with thame for to poind and distrenzie, gif neid be, for the taking, raising and inbringing of thir dewities forsaid, to the sustentatioun and uphalding of Goddis service, as said is, but danger, stop or impediment. Quharfore, as this our rationable and simpil desyris and petition is conform to equitie, and ar consonant to honore and pollecey, according to the usis and consuetudis of great antiquitie in uther realmys and provincis; that ze wald grant till us thame ratifyit, approvit and confirmit be zow under zowr sele of causs, in perpetuall memorial of gude rewle to be had in tyme to cum, with zowr answere hereupon we humily beseik. The quhilks articulis, statutis and rewlis, beand red, hard and understandin, and diligently considrit be us, that they ar for the lovage, first of Almichty God and sustentatioun of Divine service, and for gude rewlis to be had in tym to cum amangis thame of the said craft, in augmentatioun and suple of the comone profitt, and for till eschew miggydit wayis, that has bene usit in tyme begane; we have ratifyt, approvit and confirmit; and be thir presents for us and our successors, ratifys, approvis and confirmis the samin in all poyntis and articlis to the said masteris and their successoris of the saide craft, in perpetuall memoriale in tyme to cum for evirmair; and this to all quham it efferis, we mak knawin by the tenore of thir our lettres. In witness of the quhilk thing, to thir oure present lettres oure comone sele of causs of oure said burgh we have gart append, at Edinburgh, the 26th day of the moneth of August, in the yere ane thousand and five hundreth zeres.

[Seal of cause of Taylors.]

11 *October* 1500.

Careing of guids to schip in Leyth.

The provest baillies and counsall statutes and ordanis, anent the furnesing and laiding of the schips that ar laidand, that in tyme to cum na maner of persoun fra Tyisday furth nixt to cum pas with ony guids to Leyth or send, becaus of the daynger of seiknes that is in Leyth, but at thai carie thair guids with karteris of this towne to Leyth hill besyde the Abbay, and discharge the guds thair, that the cairteris of Leyth may thair resaue the samyn to the port, to be had to the schips, and this laiding to be maid in the haistiest wyse for to eschew daynger; and at na persoun indwellare within this towne pas to Leyth be na maner of way without leif askit and obteint fra the provest and baillies, vnder the payne of byrning and banesing, sielyke as is inputt to thame now dwelland in Leyth that thai cum nocht heir within this towne quhill God provyde remeid.

14 *October* 1500.

Clenging.

It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale, for the commoun weill and profficitt, that all maner of persons that hes ony guidis closit in hous within this towne quhilkis hes bene infect or presumit infect, that thai pas to the Powburne to morne, and clenge thair guids and geir be fyre and watter at the rynand burne, with intimatioun that gif thai compeir nocht the saids provest and baillies will caus the said hous be oppinit, and the said guids thairintill to be brynt and destroyit; and at na persoun tak vpoun hand priuatlie be him self to mak ony sic clengeing, bot at thai first schaw it to the baillies, and at be done be avyse command and ordinance of thame; and at thair be na geir had fra ane hous to ane vther nor flittet without licence of the baillies, vnder payne of byrning of the geir and banesing of the persoun berare thairof.

Clenging.

It is avysit and thocht expedient statute and ordaint be the provest baillies and counsale, for swamekill as it wes statute of before twicheing the clenging of the towne of infect guids, or swa presumit, the quhilk sall be on this wayes, that the baillies convoy and caus be convoyit the saidis guids to the rynnand water of Leyth and thair purgeit with fyre and watter, and to remane furth for the space of nucht dayes quhill thai be dryit thairfurth or thai cum in the towne ngane and thair howse to be singit in lykewyis as wont was; and

quhair thair is persouns of greitt honour and fame that will tak vpoun thame that thair guidis ar clengeit and clene, that he that hes nocht bene seik, handill all his guidis be him self and his wyfe, and gif he hes bene seik that he cawis ane honest persoun that hes nocht bene seik to handill the samyn; and quhair thai will nocht that thair guids be clengeit as said is, and this handling to be done in presens of the baillies, and gif ony perell happinis, as God forbid, throw the said guids thus handlit, and beis convict thairof be ane inqueist, thai guids to be brynt and destroyit but favoures; and quhair ony persoun happinis seik, at thai keip thame quyett for iiij dayes quhill it be vnderstandin quhairto it turnis, or that ony deceissis, that the persouns of that place observe and keip thame quyett for xij dayes, and nocht to repair amangs vtheris nor nane with thame vnder payne of banesing. Clenging. Seik or deid.

Item, it is statute and ordanit that thair be nichtlie ane watche of vj sufficient persouns for the keiping of the toun and guid rewle to be had thairintill, and quhat persoun chairget heirto that will nocht waik nor furnis a sufficient persoun sall pay to the baillies viij s. but favouris. Watche.

It is avysit and thocht expedient twicheing the clengeing of the towne of infect guidis with infectioun of pestilence, eikand to the acts and statutes maid thairvpoun of before, that quhair it wes limit the time of xv dayes to all persouns als weill dwelland vtowth the towne as within, haiffand sic guidis closit in hous, that thai suld haif clengeit the samyn, or to haif gart clenge within the said terme, nochtwithstanding, in favouris of the persouns absent, the provest baillies and counsale hes limit to thame or thair factouris in thair name gif ony will appear Fryday at nixtt cummis, quhill the day lestis, for clengeing of the said guidis after the forme of the statutes maid thairvpoun abefore as said is, vnder the paynis thairintill contenit; certefeand to thame and till all vtheris nichtboures and inhabitaries within this towne and boundes thairof that gif thai clenge nocht thair said guidis swa infectit, or swa presumit, be the said Fryday thairafter, the provest and baillies will tak diligent inquisitioun, swa that gif it beis fundin that ony infectioun or danger thairof happinis to ryse, as God forbid, throw the nocht clengeing of the saidis guids and purgeing thairof, thai will mak the persouns thus faltand to recompance the haill skayth that happines thairthrow, and thai and thair guids to be punist after the forme of the said statutes maid obefore but favouris. Clenging.

16 *October* 1500.

(Siclyke is heir contenit ane statute dischargeing the nychtboures of certane townes about to cum to the Alhallow fair quhill afterwards, and that nane in this towne ressett or harbery, or pas furth to bye thair guids.—*Tr.*)

20 *October* 1500.

Curia vicecomitatis de Edinburgh tenta coram preposito et balliuis.

[The Court of the Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, held before the provost and bailies.]

Disprysing and invayding aboide.

The quhilk day William Paterson [and] Patrick Lowiesoun convict be ane assyse vpoun the disprysing of William Todrig, baillie, invadand him with cruell wawpouns and drawin swordis, for the quhilk caus thai sall be had to the trone and thair hands to be straken throch, and that is gevin for dome. (This contenit in a lowse leif, and in the buik begynand the yeir 1518.—*Tr.*)

10 *November* 1500.

CURIA PARLIAMENTI QUATUOR BURGORUM tenta apud Edinburgum, in Pretorio eiusdem, decimo die mensis Nouembris, anno Domini j^{m} v^{c}., coram nobili et prepotenti domino Alexandro domino Home, magno camerario Scotie, secta vocata curia affirmata.

[The Court of the Parliament of Four Burghs held at Edinburgh, in the Tolbooth of the same, on the tenth day of the month of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred, before a noble and potent lord, Alexander Lord Home, Great Chamberlain of Scotland, the suits called, and the Court fenced.]

That na craftismen vse marchandice.

The quhilk day, it is thocht expedient and als statute and ordanit in this court of parliament of Four Borrowis, be my Lord Chalmerlane, and with avys of his assessouris and commissaris of borrowis, that becaus all borrowis hes been greitly hourt in tymes bygane be craftismen vsand merchandice within the borrowis, that thairfore the actis of parliament maid in our Souverane Lordis tyme that last decessit of gude mynd, quhome God assolye, sallbe obseruit and kepit in all poyntis in tyme tocum, anent craftismen vsand merchandice within the burgh, that is to say, that na craftismen sall vse ony maner of merchandice within the burgh, bot occupy his awin craft, vnder the pains

contenit in the said actis of parliament,[1] quhilk is x li., and that thair be serchouris chosin within ilk burgh, sic as provest eldermen baillies and custumaris, to serche and seik the personis brekeris of the saidis actis of parliament, and to rais the painis contenit vpoun thame, and to mak compt therof in the Chakker. And als it is thocht expedient statute and ordanit be my Lord Chalmerlane and the saidis commissaris of burrowis, that na persoun pas in Flanders nor France with merchandice bot he that is burges and induellare within the burgh, nor that na personis out burgessis occupy the fredome of the burgh, nor haunt merchandice, without he mak continuall residence within the burgh and pay his dewiteis that accordis him to do thairfore, as vtheris nychtbouris dois within the burgh, vnder the pane of x li. to be raisit vpoun the persoun or personis brekaris of this act and statute; and that the said pane be raisit vpon thame be the serchouris, and to mak compt thairof in lykwayis in the chekker. And ordanis that ilk burgh tak the copy of this act authentikly vnder the clerkis signe and subscriptioun manuell, and that thai put the samyn to dew executioun as thai will answer to the Kingis Hienes thairvpoun. Extractum e libro actorum curie parliamenti quatuor burgorum per me Jacobum Petello clericum dicte curie, sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus.

That na craftismen vse marchandice.

4 *December* 1500.

The provest in the Kingis name chairgit the hale Skynneris craft that thai occupie na merchandice and thair craft after the act.

Statute. Skyneris vse na merchandice.

8 *December* 1500.

It was avisit and thocht expedient be Alexander Lauder, provest, Johnne Williamsoun, Johne Adamsoun, Stevin of Borthwik and William Todrik, baillies and counsale for the tyme, that the burgessis folowand sude be maid for the reparing of the toune, the honour and profit of the kirk, in making of jowelry, siclike as the siluer candilstekis, siluer crowatis and vther anornamentis for the kirk; and in likwis that in al tymes to cum the toune be serchit of

Mercatores burgenses.

[1] The Acts of Parliament here referred to are 1466, caps. 2 and 3, and 1487, caps. 12 and 13, passed in the reign of King James the Third. [Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., pp. 86-178.

Mercatores burgenses.

the personis induelland thairintil that may bere burgesry or gild, that thai be maid in the profit thairof to be warit apon the honour of the kirk; quhilk was done at the Mychelmis efter the greit deid.

8 *January* 1500-1.

Statute na craftisman vse merchandice.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis, To the provest baillies and custumaris of our burgh of Edinburgh now present and tocum, greiting:— Forsamekill as it is be our greit Chalmerlen and commissaris of our borrowis, with avyse of thair assessouris, in the parliament of oure burrowis haldin at Edinburgh the tent day of Nouember the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} yeiris, statute and ordainit for the common proffeit of our borrowis that the actis of parliament maid in the tyme of vmquhill our darrest fader, quhome God assolye, salbe observit and keipit in all poyntis in tyme to cum, anent craftismen vsand marchandice within the burgh: that is to say, that na craftismen sall vse ony maner of merchandice within the burgh, bot occupye his awin craft, vnder the pane of ten pundis, to be raisit vpon the brekeris of the saidis actis be our sercheouris, that is to say provest baillies and custumaris within ilk burgh; and als that na persoun pas in Flanderis nor France with merchandice bot he that is burges and induellar within the burgh; nor that na persoun out burges occupy the fredome of the burgh, nor hant merchandice without he mak continuall residence within burgh and pay his dewiteis that accordis him to do thairfore, as vtheris nychtbouris dois within burgh, vnder the pane of ten pundis, to be raisit vpon the brekeris of the saidis actis and statute be our saidis serchouris, and compt maid thairof in lykewayis in our Chekker, like as at mair length is contenit in the saidis actis and statute of parliament of four borrowis thairvpon. Our will is heirfore, and we charge yow straitlie and commandis, that ye with all diligence put the said act and statute of parliament of foure borrowis to dew execution in all poyntis efter the tenour of the saymn, within the boundis of your office; and that ye diligentlie serche and seik the brekeris of the said act, gif onye be, and rais vpoun thame the panis contenit thairin without fauouris, and inbring and mak compt thairof to our thesaurare in our chekker yeirlie, according to the said act, as ye will answer to ws thairvpoun; The quhilk to do we commit to yow coniunctlie and seuerallie oure full power be thir our lettres, deliuering thame

to yow sene and vnderstanding and execute as efferis agane to the beirar. Gewin vnder our signet, at Edinburgh, the viij day of Januare, and of our regne the xiij yeir. Na craftsman to use marchandice.

21 *January* 1500-1.

The quhilk day the provest baillies and counsall hes statute and ordanit that for this yeir tocum na schippis be frauchtit in Flanderis bot in presens of the prouest baillies and counsall within the Tolbuith, and gif ony nychtbour presumis or dois the contrare heirof the breker to pay xviij s. to Sanct Gelis werk but fauouris, gif thai fraucht in taverns or ony vther place bot in the Tolbuith alanerlie as said is, and that thai be frauchtit commounlie efter the forme of the act of parliament.[1] Frauchting of Schippis to Flanderis.

28 *January* 1500-1.

The quhilk day the provest baillies and hale counsall hes grantit and consentit that the gild court begyn on Fryday nixt cummis, and swa contineow out throw the haill toun for the commoun proffit and honour of the kirk. Gild court.

The saidis provest baillies and counsall hes statute and ordanit that quhat persoun beis wairnit to compeir to the gild court be the officer, and comperis nocht, thai sall pay to the kirk wark xx s. to be raisit but fauouris. Gild court.

19 *March* 1500-1.

The quhilk day it is appoynttit and concordit betuix the baillies, Jhonn Adamsoun, Johnne Williamsoun, William Carmychell, thesaurer, Andro Bartrahame, William Bothuell, and Robert Rynde, in the townis name, on that ane pairt, and Jhonne Marser, massoun, on the vther pairt, in this wys, viz. that he sall furnys in hewing vj^{c} fete of aslaurris to the furnessing and completing of the towre of the Tolbuith, and he sall furnys ilk fute of the astler weill hewin on all faces for ij d. the fute, and as for the broching at the querrell and dressing, thay to rewaird him thairfore as accordis be ressoun; and The biging of the toure of the auld Tolbuith.

1 1467 c. 4 and 1487 c. 15. [Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. II., pp. 87, 178.]

Tolbuith.

attour he hes promyttit to furnis oulklie vther fyve masouns to him self quhen thay begyn to lay the wark, to wyrk thairat with him, the toun payand to him oulklie for his awin wages ten shilings, and to ilk ane of the vthers ix allanerlie, and this hewin wark to be furnist betuix this and Mydsommer, the toun directtand and careand the wark fra the querrell, and the toun till do thair deligence to cause the saidis personis to wyrk to thame before ony vtheris,—Jhonne Williamsoun souertie for the said masoun and fulfilling of his promyt, and he oblist to freith him.

22 *April* 1501.

Anent passing to Leyth with the watter baillie.

Alexander Lauder, provest. The quhilk day it is statute and ordainit be the provest baillies counsale and assesouris and communitie of the toun for the tyme, for the commoun weill and proffit of the samyn, that in tyme cumming all nychtbouris within the toun, fremen, pas with the watter baillie doun to Leyth quhen it happinis him till haue ado in his watter courttis, thay beand wairnyt thairto be the said watter baillie or his watter seriand, to the nowmer of xvj, xx, or xxiiij personis, or ma or fewar as he thinkis expedient for the tyme, swa that ilk nychtbour be tane in his awin rowme and cours leill gangand about the toun, and quha dissobayis that beis commandit to pas with him and passis nocht, the command and chairge beand provin be him and his seriand, ilk persoun to pay viij s. als aft as he falttis, and that to be rasit and inbrocht to the kirk wark but fauouris, sua this divise is statute and maid for the commoun weill and proffit of the toun and conservatioun of thair rychtis and priuelegis of thair watter courttis.

30 *April* 1501.

Anent the doun casting of houssis at Sanct Paullis Hospitale.

Quo die. Thir personis vnderwritten, for thameselffis and in name of the hale communitie wairnit and callit heirto, thocht expedient and consenttit that compositioun be maid with the Kingis Hienes, als reasonable as can be gottin, tuiching the actioun movit aganis thame anent the doun casting of the houssis besyde Sanct Paullis hospitale, for the quhilk the communitie ar delatit to be indytit to this present justice air:—Alexander Lauder, prouest, Henry Cant, elder, Andro Bartrem, William Todrik, Jhonn Williamsoun, Jhonne Adam-

soun, Stevin Borthuik, Patrik Halliburtoun, William Strachauchin, Jhonn Levinstoun, Roger Murray, Alexander Stanelie, Jhonn De, William Lokhart, Jhonn Richertsoun, Jhonn Quhyte, tailyeour, James Romyll, Jhonn Levingstoun, Walter Blaklok, James Richertsoun, Patrik Richertsoun, Robert Gray, Thomas Smyth, Henry Cant, Jhonn of Lattis, Jhonne Currour, Vincent Strauthauchin, Adam Stewert, baxter, Thomas Turnour, Adam Edzer, fleschour, Andro Thomsoun, baxter, Andro Moncur, William Scheirsmyth, George Young, Thomas Hathwye, Richert Hopper, William Adamsoun, William Carmychell, Andro Bog, Walter Cant, William Boithuell, William Goldsmyth, Jhonn of Merche, Jhonn of Glen, and the remanent gude nychtbouris of the toun. Anent the down casting of houses.

30 *July* 1501.

Penultimo die Julii, hora decima ante meridiem, Alexander Lauder provest, Johne Williamsoun, Stevein Borthwik bailies, William Carmychel thesaurare, Andro Bertram and vtheris diuers of the nychtburis of the toun past to the presens of a nobil and mychti lord William earle of Erole, declarand forsamekle as he had thame vnder summondis before the Lordis for the intrometting and withhalding fra him of the barras in the quhilk Johne Coupance and Schir Patrik Hammyltoun facht in Edinburgh, thai wald stand in pley with him thairinto bot in contentacioun, tharfor thai gaf him certane mone, of the quhilk he held him content, for the said barras, and als thai promittit to supple the said lord in his office of constablari in tyme tocum, and nocht to be in his contrare in sic cais quhen it hapenis nor nain vtheris concerning his office, for his fauor and kindnes in tyme tocum. Testibus, Andrea Strathauchin, Willelmo Strathauchin, Edmond Hay of Meginche, Johne Ramsay of Murey, and Patrik Hay of Leyis. Pro domino Comite de Erole.

14 *August* 1501.

Hora ix° ante merediem. Magister Johannes Lokhart rector de Scraling libere dedit et assignauit Thome Constane filio sororis sui sua vtensilia et dominicilia viz. a doubil counter, a strekbed, a press, a counter, a almery, a chimnay, et omnia alia dominicilia sua et vtensilia quecunque in camera sua existencia, in contentacionem summe xx^ti^ li. quam sibi promisserat vt asseruit [Pro Thoma Constane.]

[Pro Thoma Constane.] persoluere pro suis gratuitis seruiciis sibi factis et fiendis. Reseruando ipsi vsum huiusmodi bonorum pro tempore vite sue, ita quod post eius decessum valeat idem Thomas omnia predicta vtensilia et dominicilia libere tenere et possidere quousque heredes sui vel assignati plenarie persoluerint dictam summam xx^{ti} li. in vna et integra summa eidem Thome sine fraude vel dolo. Testibus Johanne Adamsoun ballino, Jacobo Bischop, Willelmo Currour et Willelmo Thomsoun.

[At the ninth hour before noon, Master John Lokhart rector of Scraling gave and assigned freely to Thomas Constane, his sister's son, his utensils and household furnishings, viz. a doubil counter, a strekbed, a press, a counter, an almery, a chimnay, and all his other household furniture and utensils whatsoever in his chamber, in satisfaction of the sum of twenty pounds which, as he asserted, he had promised to pay to him for his gratuitous services done and to be done. Reserving to him the use of the same goods for his lifetime, so that after his decease the said Thomas might freely hold and possess the foresaid utensils and household furnishings, until his heirs or assignees should fully pay the said sum of twenty pounds in one and entire sum, to the said Thomas, without fraud or guile. Witnesses—John Adamsoun, bailie, James Bischop, William Currour, and William Thomsoun.]

20 *November* 1501.

Pro villa. xx^{mo} die mensis Nouembris, hora xi. Georgius Touris prepositus instanter requisiuit caritatiue monuit et precipit prebendarios ecclesie collegiate beati Egidii de Edinburgh vt custodirent sua seruicia debita in dicta ecclesia secundum tenorem fundationis et erectionis eiusdem collegii sub penis que per ipsum prepositum ballinos et consules huiusmodi burgi eiisdem prebendariis imputari poterint. Testibus, Alexandro Lauder, Waltero Yong, Jacobo Touris, et multis aliis, Johanne Foulare decano gilde.

[On the twentieth day of the month of November, in the eleventh hour, George Tours, Provost, instantly required, advised in all kindness, and commanded the prebendaries of the Collegiate Church of St Giles of Edinburgh to observe their due service in the said church, according to the tenor of the foundation and erection of the same college, under the penalties which might be imposed on the same prebendaries by the said Provost Bailies and Councillors of the burgh. Witnesses—Alexander Lauder, Walter Young, James Tours, and many others, John Fowler, Dean of Guild.]

25 *January* 1501-2.

Verba contractus matrimonalis per verba de presenti per Patricium comitem de Boithuill procuratoram S. D. N. Regis et Mergarete Regine, per notarios Anglie editum, anno j^{m} v^{c} primo, xxv Januarii. [Contract of Marriage between King James IV. and the Princess Margaret of England.]

[Words of the marriage-contract *per verba de presenti* by Patrick Earl of Bothwell, procurator of our Sovereign Lord the King, and Queen Margaret, set forth by the notaries of England, in the year one thousand five hundred and one, 25th January.]

I, Patrick Erle of Boithuell, procuratour of the rycht excellent rycht hie and michtie prince James, be the grace of God King of Scotland my Souerane Lord, haffand sufficient auctoritie power and command to contract matrimone, *per verba de presenti,* in the name and for my said Souerane Lord, with ye Mergret, first begottin dochter of the richt excellent rycht hie and michtie prince and princes Henry, be the grace of God King of Ingland and of France and Lord of Irland, and Elizabeth, Quene of the samyn, as be the procuratory of my said Souerane Lord at this present tyme opinlie red and publist mare planelie apperith, be vertu of the samyn procuratory and as procuratour to my said Souerane Lord James, King of Scotland, and in his name and behalf and be his speciale commandment contractis matrimone with ye Mergret and takis ye in to and for the wyff and spous of my said Souerane Lord James, King of Scotland, and all vtheris for the procuratour forsaid forsaikis induring his and yure lyffis naturall, and thairto as procuratour forsaid I plicht and gevis you his faith and treuth be the power actoritie forsaid committ and gevin to me. Et cum hoc deuentum est per dictum comitem et procuratorem ad proclamationem horum uerborum.—[And after the said earl and procurator had uttered these words] " and therto as procuratour forsaid I plicht and gevis you his faith and treuth be the power and auctorite aforsaid committit and gevin to me," demum prenobilis vir comes et procurator manum suam dexteram deosculans manu dextere prefate clarissime domine Mergarete applicuit—[the noble earl and procurator finally kissing his right hand applied it to the right hand of the said illustrious Lady Margaret.]

[Contract of Marriage between King James IV. and the Princess Margaret of England.]

Actualis contractus sponsaliorum per verba de presenti per principissam dominam Mergaretam per notarios Anglie. xxv Januarii anno Domini j^{m} v^{c} primo.

[Actual contract of espousals *per verba de presenti* by the princess, the Lady Margaret [set forth] by the notaries of England, 25 January in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and one.]

I, Mergret the first begottin dochter of the richt excellent rycht hie and michti prince and princes Henry, be the grace of God King of Ingland and of France, and Lord of Irland, and Elizabeth, Queyne of the samyn, wittandlie and of deliberat mynd, hauand xij yeris compleit in aige in the moneth of Nouember last bipast, contractis matrimone with the rycht excellent rycht hie and michti prince James, King of Scotland, in the person of yow Patrik Erle Boithuell procuratour to the said prince James, King of Scotland, and takis the said James, King of Scotland into and for my husband and spous, and all vtheris for him forsaikis durand his and myn lyffis naturalie, and thairto I plicht and gevis till him in your persoun as his procuratour forsaid my faith and treuth. Et statim post proclamacionem horum uerborum—[And immediately after the proclamation of these words] " and thairto I plicht and gevis to him in your persoun and as his procuratour my faith and treuth," eadem clarissima domina Mergreta manum eius dexteram in manu dextera nobilis comitis et procuratouris antedicte coniunxit—[the same illustrious Lady Margaret joined her right hand with the right hand of the foresaid noble earl and procurator.]

Nota donacionis siue summe dotis dande a Regi Anglie domino regi Scotorum viz. triginta milia aureorum nobilium Anglie vocatorum angell noblis in eisdem nobilibus vnoquoque nobili valent viginti grossis bone et legalis monete Anglie nunc cursum habentis in Anglia, [Memorandum of the donation or amount of dowry given by the King of England to the Lord the King of Scots, viz., thirty thousand gold nobles of England, called angel nobles, each of the said nobles being of the value of twenty pounds of good and lawful money of England now having currency in England], to be paijt at thir termes, viz. at the day of the solemnite and marriage in proper persounis or within vi dais therefter x m. noblis; and within yere and day therefter in Coldingham x m. noblis, and a yeir efter that in Coldingham x m. angellis in compleit payment.

23 *February* 1501-2.

Privilege of Edinburgh anent merchandice brocht haine be strangeris.

All strangeris cumand in at the port of Leyth with merchandice and gudis, sall, at thair entries, mak just compt and leill entrie of thir haill gudis to the provest, baillies, counsall, and communitie of the burgh of Edinburgh, and sould have na merchandice and gudis langar in Leyth nor thay be discharit and hoistit furth of schipbuird, nor yit mak ony mercat thairof in Leyth to ony maner of persounis, bot onlie within our Soverane Lordis said burgh, as in the stapill of all sic gudis and geir, baith for the proffeit of our Soverane Lordis custome, and als in respect of the privilege and infeftment of fre burgh within the port of Leyth, gevin to the said burgh be our Soverne Lordis maist nobill progenitouris of gude mynd.

22 *April* 1502.

[Freight of ships.]

The quhilk day the provest baillies and counsall, with ane greitt pairt of the communitie of merchandis, hes statute and ordanit for the commoun proffet of the toun that in tyme tocum na maner of merchand nor nychtbour of this burgh tak vpoun hand to mak ony frauchting of ony schip in tyme tocum to pas in Flanderis, or mak ony priuate conditioun thairintill, bot alanerlie in presens of the provest baillies and counsall, or ane pairt of thame within the Tolbuith, and that thai fraucht it commonlie for the hale merchandis and to thair proffitt; and quha can be apprehendit doand the contrair hereof sall pay v li. to Sanct Gelis wark, to be rasit and inbrocht but fauouris.

12 *May* 1502.

[Pest.]

(The lyke statute [16 October 1500] that nane of certane townes suspect of pest repair heir nor be harbereit.—*Tr.*)

18 *August* 1502.

The gathering in of the extent.

The quhilk day, the provest and counsale hes commandit and chairgit the baillies in our Souerane Lordis name to pas incontinent compel and distreyne all and syndre the personis that ar extentit in the last taxt for thair pairtis thairof, and inbring the same for the payment thairof till our Souerane Lordis factouris, efter the tenour of our Souerane Lordis lettres direct thairvpoun, as thay will answer to his Hienes, and als in lykewayis that the baillies pas with

[Extent.] ane of the baillies of the last yeir and ingather the rest of that extent as efferis, efter the forme of our Souerane Lordis lettres foirsaid.

20 *August* 1502.

Commouning. The provest baillies and counsale statutes and ordanis for the commoun weill of the towne, that na maner of persoun tak vpoun hand to pas, speik, and commoun with ony maner persounis, infectit persouns within this towne, but gif it be with ane officer or a quarter maister of the towne, vnder banesing or byrning as sall be thocht expedient; and at na persoun be fundin passand on the hie gaitt after ix houris in the nycht without a byrning lycht or a rationabill caus vnder the said panys.

[Harbering suspect persons, &c.] (Ane statute maid that nane ressett ony cummand fra suspect places; that ilk ane reveil the seik in thair hous; that na seruandis by or tak ony clayth by the knawlege of thair maisteris that thai may reveill to the towne; and that na wed-wyffes use or tak ony weddis; and that ane or twa of the principall in ilk close attend heirto.—*Tr.*)

9 *November* 1502.

Setting of lands. The provest baillies and counsale hes statute and ordanit for the guid rewle and commoun proffeitt of this towne twicheing the infirmity of the pestilence, that na maner of persoun havand land within this towne and bounds thairof that in tyme to cum thai mak ony assedatioun, nor resaue na maner of tennent man or woman into thair said lands bot sic persouns of honestie and fame as thai will stand for, but licence of the provest or baillies, vnder the payne of xx s. of ilk hous to St Geillis wark, and at the said persouns havand thair said land that thai devoyde thame of sic insufficient tennents at this Mairtymes, and gif thai haif bene infect thai to gar clenge the samyn vnder the sam payne. (The rest of this act concernis vagabounds and wed-wyffes.—*Tr.*)

31 *December* 1502.

Banist, Harvy, for ryving of the actis of the toun. The quhilk day [*blank*] Harvy wes convict be ane assys and resoun of his awin confessioun of the ryving of the actis of the toun and lychtlying of the officeris authoriteis in that case, thairfore he wes adiudgit to be had to the trone and strekin throw the hand and banist the fredome of the toune indurand the will of the provest and baillies; and that wes gevin for dome.

3 *January* 1502-3.

It is avysit thocht expedient statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale of this burgh, eikand and conformand to the acts maid abefore twiching the help and rewle of this towne, be the grace of God, fra the greitt dainger of the pestilence that hes rongin thir certane yeiris bygane, and mekill throw owerseing of guid rewle and slewth thairof be greitt confluence of sempill peipill and vtheris, that thair sall be made a certane leidin taiknis to be gevin to the pure failyeit folks to quhat quantity of nummer sall be thocht expedient to the wisdome of the towne, and sic as may guidlie be sustenit be thair almous, and fra thine furth that oppin proclamatioun be maid that all vther beggaris nocht haiffand thir taikins sall devoyde the towne incontinent thairafter, and at thai personis nor na vther beggares cum agane nor of new vnder the payne of deid; and quhat vther persoun that beis fundin beggand but thair signe or taikin, be it a man to be strukin throw the hand, and be it a woman to be brint on the cheik, and banist the towne but fauoures; and at na vagabounds young ~~nor auld~~ (*sic*) man nor woman be fundin within the towne bot sic as are in seruice haifand a sustentatioun in practik or vtherwayis, bot thai haiff and the said taikinis vnder the said panis. Beggares taikins. Vagabonds.

13 *January* 1502-3.

(Personis convict for flyting and scaldrie adiugeit to be govit on the croce quhill four afternone. Curia justiciarie.—*Tr.*) Bairds.

(Ane convict for vpsetting ower day and nicht and nocht knawin quheiron he leiffis bot as a vagabond, is banist. And sum banist for yeir and day.—*Tr.*)

4 *April* 1503.

Thir ar the personis and regrattouris vnderwrittin of meill that ar convict be ane assys for the bying of the samyn in greit quantitie, mair than may sustene thair self to thair awin meit, and selling of the samyn to the puir folkis vpoun proffeit-wynning, causand greit darthe. Regratouris convict.

Item, thir are the personis caik-baxteris regratouris vnderwrittin that ar convict be ane assys for the baiking of caikis, nocht kepand the pais vsit and wount, that is to say that the caikis for the penny sould wey vther half tymes alsmekill as the penny quhit breid, viz. the quhit penny laif weyand xvj vnce, the vther to wey xxiiij vnce, and swa les or mair pais [as] accordis; and attour Pais of the caik.

Pais of the caik.

the baillies ordanit and chargit gif thir personis aboue written will baik ony caikis in tyme to cum, or the laif that ar convict, that thai obserue and keip the statutis maid thairvpoun as accordis.

2 *September* 1503.

The toune denuncing ane rebell and puttand him to the horne for slauchter.

We do yow to wit, forsamekle as Gilliame Taburner is dilatit of the slauchter of Patrik Harpar, for the quhilk caus the provest and baillies, schreffis within this burgh, hes causit diligentlie serche and seik the said Williame within the boundis of thair office, and could nocht apprehend him, that thairfore we denunce the said Gilliame oure Souerane Lordis rebell for the said slauchter, as fugitive fra the Kingis lawis, and puttis him to the horne.

9 *February* 1503-4.

[Priests' alms.]

Item, the dene of gild with ane baillie to se that na preistis pas to gadder almous with thair pece bot ane day in the yeir for ilk altare.

14 *February* 1503-4.

[Chaiplenry of St Eleyes altar.]

Is declairit that Elizabeth Wod, the spous of umquhill Allane Windeyettes, producet the infeftment of the chaiplenry at St Eloyes altare and the sowm thairof; anent the patronage, to be tailyeand the said donatioun after herself to Margaret M'Crerik her dochters airis of hir body quhilkis failyeand to Wods airis, the presentatioun to be within xv dayes after it vaik, quhilk gif thai slip than to pertene to the towne *hac vice*, and gif thai failyie of aventur and beis nocht levand to pertene to the toune for euirmair.

2 *March* 1503-4.

Watter mettis.

The quhilk day, it was declarit be Willie Couper, maker of the mettis, that be auld consuetude the half watter bol of quheit and ry contenis xlviij pynttis; sua cummis the watter chalder of homyll corne to xviij bollis.

Item, the half watter boll of beyre and malt sould contene [*blank*] sua cummis it now to the messour of lxxvij pynttis.

For eschewing of pleyis before the toun.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsale hes statute and ordanit for the eschewing of greit multitude of pleyis before the counsale of the toun, and stanchiug of goleinyeis in tyme to cum, that quhat persoun that tynis thair actioun and beis foundin in the wrang sall pay ane vnlaw of viij s.

2 *April* 1504.

The quhilk day it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale [*blank*] consauit be thame that thair is certane nychtbouris fremen within this burgh that displessis God in thair aith, and hurtis the commoun proffeitt of fremen in leing till vnfremen, baith Lumbardis and vtheris, of certane merchandice, bayth woll hide skyne and claith and vtheris siclyke, with thair money vnder the colour of thair awin, and swa hourtis the said commoun proffett, and that hairvpoun due inquisitioun be tane of famous persounis to the nummer of xij or xiij personis efter the nixt law dayis efter Pasche nixttocum, and qua beis convict heirvpoun to be depriuit of thair burgesry for evir. Statute vpoun the collorreris of vnfremennis guidis.

Item, it is statute that na freman within this burgh sel ony maner of guidis or merchandice to strangearis and vnfremen in tyme tocum custome fre, bot that the custumaris of the toun may haif thair customes and dewiteis thairof that efferis but demand or impediment. That na guidis be sauld to strangearis custome fre.

18 *April* 1504.

(Ane statute with consent of the prebenders of St Geilis kirk anent the dergis, sawle mas feists, and vthers, that the absents for the tyme sall haif na fie nor waiges for the draiges and sawle mes bot the persouns present except the seik and the superexorsistene attour the waiges to be distribute at the sicht of the patronis, provest and baillies counsale and vtheris, gif thair be.—*Tr.*) [Absentees from dirges and soul masses.]

(Ane vther statute that ane collectour be chosin to gadder the falts of the prebenders failyeand and absent fra thair seruice, and the speciall paynes and vnlawes is declarit. Thir on the lowse leiffis.—*Tr.*)

31 *May* 1504.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall hes ordenit Patrik Richertsoun, thesaurere, to furneis for the clenging and mending of the havin vj pikkis and mattokis, and gavelokis to sufficient number, for the outtaking of the greit stanis in the hevin and redding of the channell betuix the byknys, and that he furneis the wyndes hairfor dewlie as efferis, and to gett plaittis for the channell and lowsing thairof. Furnissing of warklomes to the schoir of Leyth.

It is statute that na darrare aill be sauld fra this day furth darrare than for xvj d. the galone, vnder the panys contenit in the statuttis. Pryce aill selling.

2 *August* 1504.

[Mylnis. The provest baillies and counsall ordanis Thomas Bartilmo to pay to the thesaurare of the toun and the fermoraris of the mylnis iij pekkis of quheit, in recompans for the setting of the bak watter and skayth sustenit that tyme, and he to cum on Sounday with ane walx candill, in sark alane, and ask the provest forgevenis for his contemptioun.

10 *September* 1504.

Clayth and yairne selling. It is statute and ordanit be the prouest baillies and counsale that na maner of persoun dwelland within this towne take vpon hand to sett furth or sell outwith thair houseis opinlie in the merket ony maner of clayth woll or lynning, or ony yairne, for the space of xv dayes, vnder pane of escheitt of the guidis.

9 *October* 1504.

Ports keping. (It is statute (at lenth) that nane enter bot at the ports, nor nane to enter cummand fra suspect places but licence, nor na sic be resset.—*Tr.*)

Item, that the baillies lymmit sic persouns portares that sall be of sic guid rewle and gyding to keip the said portis, nother to tak wageis for the inlatting of infect persouns nor guids nor yitt of the pure folks that cumis to the markett, vnder the paynis as the baillies will ansuer to the Kings Hienes thairvpoun, and vnder payne to the porters of banesing for euir or of the deid as sall be thocht expedient to the juges; and als that na maner of persoun
Persouns putt furth. that hes bene putt furth to the watter to clenge thame and thair guids, that nane sic be resauit in the toune agane without a speciall deliuerance in writt maid thairvpon of the provest and counsale, that thairthrow it may be vnderstand the gude reule, and brekares thairof to be pvnist to the rigour but favouris.

Clengeing. Item, It is statute and ordanit anent the clengeing of infectit guids in speciall, that thair be ane or twa persouns of euery close quhair infectioun is or happenis to be, honest and of guid fame, to pas with a baillie to serche seik and se the clengeing of the said infectit guids at the watter, and at thai byde furth a certane space quhill the saidis guids be purgeit and clengeit be fyre and watter, and weill dryit be the space of viij or x dayis; and after thai cum agane to remayne in thair hous for the space of v or vj dayes, proydand alway

that thair houssis be first singit and fyrit with hather or thai enter thairvnto, after the forme of the awld statutes, vnder the paynis contanit in thame. Clengeing.

It is statute and ordanit that gif it sall happin ony of the burearis to cum outwith thair awin place ordanit for thame amongs ony repair, or in the toun or ony pairt thairof, and may be notit vpon thame, thai sall be banist for all the dayes of thair lyffis exceptand allanerlie bot quhen thai ar commandit to eird the creatour of God. The buirearcs.

And inlykewyis that na persoun inclusit in the commoun place cum furth but licence of the baillies vnder the said paynis. Inclusit persouns.

It is statute and ordainit in our Souerane Lordis name, provest and baillies of the burgh of Edinburgh, that na maner of persouns, riche nor puir, that ar putt furth to the water for the wescheing and clengeing of thair claythis, or sall be putt furth induring the tyme of this pestilence cum neir the ports for ony caus thai haif ado, other for almous or ony vther erand, without thai haif a signe into thair hand of a stafe and a clayth borne thairvpon, that haill folks may ken thame, vnder the payne to men that cumis of banesing of the toune and fredome of it for euir, and to wemen vnder the pane of byrning of thair cheiks, quhilkis sall be execute vpoun thame be thame that handillis the fowle folks. Persouns putt furth.

11 *October* 1504.

We chairge straitlie and commands in our Souerane Lordis name the provest and baillies of this burgh, that all nychtbouris dwelland within the samyn that hes ony seruands, bayth craftismen and vthers, that thai diligentlie consider the vse and the rewle of thair seruands in all maner of gyding, playing, nychtwalking and vtheris, and at thai hald thame of guid rewle as thai will ansuer for thair said seruands, or ellis cum and reveill thair misgyding to the provest and baillies, that remeid may be had thairvpon as efferis, for the guid rewle and honesty of the towne. Serwands rewling.

1 *July* 1505.

To all and sindrie to quhais knaulege thir present letteris sall cum, the prouest baillies and counsale of the burgh of Edinburgh, greiting in God euirlesting: Witt your vniuersities thatt the day of the dait of thir presentis comperit befoir me, sittand in jugement in the Tolbuith of the said burgh, the Seal of Cause to Barbers.

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kirkmaister and brether of the Sueregianis and Barbouris within the samyn, and presentit till me thair bill and supplicatioun desyring ws for the louing of God, honour of oure Souerane Lord and all his liegis, and for worschip and policy of this burgh, and for the gude reull and ordour to be had and maid amangis the saidis craftis in tymes to cum, thatt we wald grant and consent to thame the privilegis reullis and statutis contenit in thair said bill and supplicatioun quhilk efter follows: To yow my loirdis provest baillies and worthy counsall of this gude tovne, richt humblie meins and schawis your daylie servitouris the kirkmaister and brether of Chirurgeonis and Barbouris within this burgh, that quhair we beleve itt is weill knawen till all your wisdomis quhow thatt we vphald ane altar situat within your College Kirk of Sanct Geill in the honour of God and Sanct Mongow our patrone, and hes na importance to vphald the samyn bot oure sober oulklie penny and vpsettis, quhilk ar small in effect till sustene and vphald oure said altar in all necessar thingis convenient thairto, and because we ar and ever was of gude mynde till do this gude tovne all the steid plesour and seruice than we can or may, baith in walking and wairding stenting and bering of all vther portabill chairges within this burgh at all tymes, as vther nichtbouris and craftis dois within the samyn, we desyre at your lordship and wisdomes till geve and grant to ws and oure successouris thir reulis statutis and previlegis vndir written, quhilkis ar consonant to resoun, honour till oure Souerane Lord and all his lieges, proffeitt and lowabill to this gude tovne: In the first, that we micht have yeirlie chosin amangis ws ane kirkmaister and ourisman to quhome the haill brether of the craftis foirsaid sall obey for thatt yeir: Item, that na maner of persoun occupie nor vse ony poyntis of our saidis craftis of Surregenie or Barbour craft within this burgh bott gif he be first frieman and burges of the samyn, and thatt he be worthy and expert in all the poyntis belangand the saidis craftis diligentlie and avysitlie examinit and admittit be the maisters of the said craft for the honorabill seruying of oure Souerane Lord his liegis and nychtbouris of this burgh, and als that euerie man that is to be maid freman and maister amangis ws be examit and previt in thir poyntis following, thatt is to say, that he knaw anotamell, nature and complexion of euery member humanis bodie, and inlykewayes he knaw all the vaynis of the saymn, thatt he may mak flewbothomell in dew tyme, and als thatt he knaw in quhilk member the signe hes domination for the tyme, for euery man aucht to knaw the nature and substance of euery

thing thatt he werkis, or ellis he is negligent; and that we may have anis in the yeir ane condampnit man efter he be deid to mak antomell of, quhairthraw we may haif experience, ilk ane to instrict vtheris, and we sall do suffrage for the soule; and that na barbour, maister nor seruand, within this burgh hantt vse nor exerce the craft of Surregenrie without he be expert and knaw perfytelie the thingis abouewritten; and quhat person sal happin to be admittit frieman or maisteris to the saidis craftis, or occupeis ony poynt of the samyn, sall pay at his entry for his vpsett fyve pundis vsuall money of this realme of Scotland to the reparatioun and vphalding of oure said altar of Sanct Mongow for deuyne seruice to be done thairatt, with ane dennar to the maisteris of the saidis craftis at his admissioun and entres amangis ws; exceptand that euery frieman maister of the saidis craftis ane of his lawful gottin sonnis to be frie of ony money payment, except the dennar to be maid to the maisteris efter he be exeminit and admitted be thame as said is: Item, that na maisteris of the said craft sall tak ane prenteis or feit man in tyme cuming to vse the Surregeane craft without he can baithe wryte and reid, and the said maister of ony of the saidis craftis that takis ane prenteis sall pay at his entres to the reparatioun of the said alter tuenty schillingis; and that na maister of the said craft resset nor ressave ane vther maisteris prenteis or seruand quhill the ische of his termes be run, and quha that dois in the contrair thairof, as oft as he failyies, sall pay xx s. to the reparatioun of the said alter but fauvouris. Item, euery maister that is resauit frieman to the said craft sall pay his oulklie penny with the priestis meit as he sall happen to cum about, and euery seruand that is feitt man to the maisteris of the said craft sall pay ilk oulk ane half-peny to the said alter and reparatioun thairof; and that we haif powar to cheise ane chaiplane till do devyne seruice daylie at our said alter at all tymes quhen the samyn sall vaik, and till cheis ane officiar till pas with ws for the ingathering of oure quarter payment and oulklie pennies, and to pas befoir ws on Corpus Christy day and the octauis thairof, and all vther generall processionis and gatheringis, siclike as vtheris craftis hes within this burgh; and that ane of the maisteris of the foirsaid craftis, with the chaiplane and officiar of the samyn, pas at all tymes neidfull lift and rais the saidis quarter paymentis fra euery persoun that aw the samyn, and gif ony dissobeyis that we may poynd and distreyne thairfoir all tymes haifand ane officiar of the tovne with ws: Item, that na man nor freman of the said craft purches ony lordschip incontrair the statutis and rewlis aboue written, in hindering or skaithing of the craftis foir-

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saidis or commoun weill thairof, vnder the payne of tynsall of thair friedomes. Item, that all the maisteris friemen and brether of the said craft reddelie obey and cum to thair kirkmaister at all tymes quhen thay sal be requyritt thairto be the said officiar for to heir quarter comptis, or till avyse for ony thing concernyng the commoun weill of the saidis craftis, and quha thatt disobeyis sall pay xx s. to the reparatioun of the said altar; and that na persoun man nor woman within this burgh mak nor sell ony aquavite within the samyn except the saidis maisteris brether and friemen of the saidis craftis vnder the pane of escheit of the samyn but fauouris. Beseking heirfoir your lordschippis and wisdomes at the reuerence of God that ye will avise with thir oure sempill desyris statutis rewlis and privilegis abouewritten, and grant ws the samyn ratefeit and apprevit be yow vnder your seill of cause, and with the grace of God we sall do sic seruice and plesour to the Kingis grace and gude tovne that ye salbe contentit thairof, and your delyuerance heirintill humblie I beseik. The quhilk bill of supplicatioun with the reullis statutis and privilegis contenit thairentill being red befoir ws in jugement, and we thairwith beand ryplie and distinctlie avysit, thinkis the samyn consonant to resoun and na hurt to our Souerane Lordis Hienes, ws, nor nane vtheris his liegis thairintill, and thairfoir we consent and grantis the samyn to the foirsaidis craftis of Surregenry and Barbouris and to thair successouris, and in sa far as we may or hes powar, confirmis ratefeis and apprevis the saidis statutis reullis and privilegis in all poyntis and articlis contenit in the supplicatioun abouewritten; and to all and syndrie quhome it efferis or may effere we mak it knawin be thir our lettres; and for the mair verificatioun and strenth of the samyn we haif to hungin our commoun seill of cause, at Edinburgh, the first day of the moneth of July the yeir of God ane thousand fyve hundreth and fyve yeris.

4 *July* 1505.

Pest. To keep their houses.

The quhilk day, it is avysit statute and ordenit be the provest baillies, etc. that the persouns dwelland within this towne that hes bene laitlie viseit with seiknes and nocht recoverit, and that sall happin to be seik in tyme to cum, that thai cum nocht furth of thair dwelling places quhill thai haif licence of the officeris,

To reveill.

and that thai revele the said seiknes quhen it happenis within xxiiij houris thairafter till the officeris, vnder the paynes contenit in the awld statutes, that is to say banisment of the towne and vther paynes that sall be thocht expedient or ordanit be the quantity of the trespas; and that the baillies take diligent inquisitioun be

sworne nychtbouris nixt thairabout dwelling gif the saidis persouns cumis furth of their places and brekis the said command, the quhilk beand knawin at thai be pvnist and the said statute execute vpoun the brekkers but favouris. (This in the convict book of this daitt without ane covering.—*Tr.*) Pest. Acts to be executed.

4 *July* 1505.

(In the convict buik begynnand 4 July 1505, and first leiff thairof, is contenit as follows :—*Tr.*)

The statut for clengeing the calsay—It is statut and ordanit be the provest baillies counsale and community of this burch of Edinburgh, for the guid rewle honour and pollicy of the saymn, and for the haldin of it clene bayth in somer and wynter on the hie streitt, and for that intent thai haif namit and chosin Thomas Glendunwyne thair belman, and discharges the pynouris that had the occupatioun thairof of before ; the quhilk Thomas is oblist to haif a hors with a close cairt and twa seruandis daylie, quhen neid is, for purgeing and clengeing of the hie streitt betuix the Castelhill and Sanct Mary Wynd and Leith Wynd heids of all maner of mwk, filth of fische and flesche, and fulzie weit and dry, staynis and vtheris, and til cary this mwk filth and fulzie till a place viz. [*blank*] and till approper the saymn to his awin proffitt and vse ; and for that intent it is statute and ordanit that quhair ony persoun layis ony mwk or fulzie on the hie gaitt that it ly na langer bot xxiiij houris, and gif it lyis attour the space and hour the said belman to tak that and approper the saymn to his awin proffitt and vse sicklyk as the vtheris whilkis gatherit before, and the towne to fortifie him thairintill, and the stopperis gif ony beis to be pvnist be the vnlaw viij s. vnforgevin. And heirfor the saidis provest baillies counsale and community hes grantit and prommittit to the said Thomas for his rewaird and fie, to the sustentatioun of his hors kairt and seruitouris, to tak of every buith valt cellar and chalmer of ilk foirland planist and inhabite ilk quarter of the yeir 1d., viz. iiij d. in the yeir; and of ilk flescheour for his occupatioun be his stok in the gaitt with flesch or fische or ony of thame for the clengeing of the filth of the saymn ilk ane iiij d. in the quarter, viz. xvj d. in the yeir ; and of ilk land fleshen or haiffand flesche on stokkis or buirdis in the merkit to sell to pay ilk Mononday a halfpenny for dechting of thair standis ; Item, of ilk huiksteris selland and kippand fische in the gaitt, haiffand na buith on the forgaitt, 1d. in the quarter, viz. iiij d. in the yier; and of the daylie cummers Clenging the calsay.

Clengeing the Calsay. and selleris of fische that dwellis nocht in this burch, of ilk hors a certan of thair fische hosteris as vse and wount hes bene ane halfpenny, or swamekil of the stufe; and at nathing be tayne of the burding of folks heidis. Item, quhar ony hors that bringis victuallis or laidis to the merkat nocht standand in stable bot on the hie gaitt eittand on the gait or fuilzeand the samyn, it sall be leful to the said Thomas to tak of euerie heid a half penny als oft as it happinis, and he to haif his dewty of the vittaills merkat as vse and wont hes bene, his dische fuill of ilk sek laid ilk merkat day, the quhilk dische sall be brynt and seillit; and at na regratowris be of fische before xij houris at the nychtbouris be seruit, and at the clengeris of the gaitt till espye heirvpoun and schaw to the towne that punitioun be put thairfore.

3 *October* 1505.

Pest. To reveill. It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale, yitt as of before, for the commoun weill and proffeitt of this toune twicheing the infirmity of pestilence, that quhair ony persouns happinis to be seik within this towne and bounds thairof, that the folkis haiffand the rewle and gouernance of that house, man or woman quhatsumevir thai be, reveale the said seiknes to the baillies or ony of theme be thair quarter maisteris or sum vthers within the space and time of xij houris, vnder the paynis of byrning and banesing after the forme of the awld statutes.

Harbereing. Item, that na maner of persoun dwelland within this towne house or harbery ony maner of persoun cummand furth of the countrey, or thair guids, cummand furth of any suspect place or presumet suspect but licence and leif askit and obtenit of the baillies vnder the said paynis.

Inter-commouning. Item, that alswa na maner of persoun repair nor intercommoune with ony vther persoun quhair ony seiknes happenis but speciall licence of the officeris, vnder the paynis as sall be thocht expedient to be inputt thairfore be the provest baillies and counsale; and at euery quarter maisteris within thair boundis lymmit hereto obefore in euery wynd execute thair diligence and office as thai will answer thairvpoun.

Weddis. Alswa it is forbidden that ony wed wyffis or vthers oppinly or privatly tak or lay ony maner of weddis belangand to ony maner of clayth kind, wollis or lynning, silks or vthers, vnder the payne of byrning on the cheik, banesing this

towne ; and at na maner of seruand wemen madynis or vthers tak in wed or ley in wed any maner of claythis as is aboue expremit vnder the said paynes. Weddis.

Alswa it is forbidden statute and ordanit, for till eschew daynger and peril of the said seiknes, that ony maner of vagabounds, young fallowis or young husis, haffand na prettik nor seruice to life vpon, that ony sic persoun be fundin in this towne, bot at thai devoyde and pas furth of the samyn within xxiiij houris, les than thai pas in service or sum honest gyding to sustene theme vpon, vnder the payne of banesing this towne for yeir and day. Vagaboundis.

It is statute and forbidden that any maner of persoun melt or rynde thair tawlche in fore housis on the hie gaitt, for till eschew the dishonesty and euil disposit savour thairof, vnder the payne of escheitt of the stufe quhair it may be fundin but favouris. Talloun.

Item, that the furrouris and skynneris dicht nor schaik their skynis on the hie gaitt, nor hing thame on the forestairis, for till eschew the evil sawour thairof, and the inhonesty that followes thairvpon, vnder the payne of xx s. to St Geillis werk but favouris. Furrouris, Skynneris.

Item, it is statute that na maner of persouns haiffand land or hous to sett within this burgh sett nocht the samyn till ony vagabounds man or woman, bot sic as may life vpon their awin and be their honest prettik and labouris ; and gif ony sic tennents vnsufficient be had in thair houssis that the lairds of that grund devoyde thame incontinent within viij dayes vnder the payne of xx s. to St Geillis wark but favouris. (In the same buik [*i.e.* the convict book of 4th July 1505, without a covering.] The lyke act is 25 May 1530 in ane gild buik.—*Tr.*) Setting of landis.

October 1505.

(In the convict buik begynnand in July 1505 is contenit as follows :—*Tr.*)

Curia tenta coram Alexander Lawder preposito et balliuis Octobris j^{m} v^{c} quinto. Assisa super frumentum et brasum. [Assise of wheat and malt.]

[The court held before Alexander Lauder, Provost, and the Bailies, October 1505.

The assise upon wheat and malt.]

Robertus Rynd	Robertus Wardlaw	Stephanus Bell
Joannes Adamesoun	Joannes Fischear	Henricus Young.

Assise. Willelmus Bothuele Joannes Cranstoun Joannes Broun
Robertus Brus Thomas Levingtoun
Willelmus Lokart Joannes Wicht

Quheitt. The assyse abouewritten fyndis the pryce of the quheitt the bole for xiij s. the best.

Malt. Aill. Item, the malt for xj s. the boll the best, and thairfore the provest baillies and counsale ordanis the browsteris and tapsteris to sell na darrer aill than for xij d. the gallowne fra to morne at even furth, vnder the payne contenit in the statutes.

Baxteris. Item, the baxteris to keip the pris of the tikkat that sall be given vnder the saidis paynis, and the baillies to execute the saymn.

17 *January* 1505-6.

Johannes Frances. xvii die mensis Januarii, hora xi ante merediem, de speciali mandato prepositi burgi de Edinburgh, apud crucem fori eiusdem, Thomas Arnot vnus seriandorum dicti burgi proclamauit literam supremi domini nostri Regis, sub suo magno sigillo, directam Johanni Francis, super conseruatorie preuilegiorum nacionis mercatorum Scotie, in vulgari lingua Scotica, vt omnes audientes populi presentis potuisset intelligere. Et hoc super idem Johannes conseruator huiusmodi nationis petiit instrumentum, Testibus dicto preposito, viz. Alexandro Lauder, Johanne Levingtoun, magistro Dauid Lauder vicario de Ersiltoun, Kentegerno Stevensoun, Alexandro Gray, Alexander Edgar, nuncio dicti burgi et multis aliis.

[On the seventeenth day of the month of January, the eleventh hour before noon, by special command of the Provost of the Burgh of Edinburgh, Thomas Arnot, one of the serjeands of the said Burgh, proclaimed at the market cross thereof, a letter of our Sovereign Lord the King, under his Great Seal, directed to John Francis, in regard to the conservatory of the privileges of the merchants of the nation of Scotland, in the common Scotch language, that all the people present hearing might understand. And upon this the said John, conservator of this nation, asked instruments. Witnesses—the said Provost, viz., Alexander Lauder; John Livingtoun; Master David Lauder, vicar of Ersiltoun; Mungo Stevensoun, Alexander Gray; Alexander Edgar, messenger of the said burgh, and many others.]

10 *May* 1506.

Statutes maid in the yeir of God j^m v^c vj^to

JAMES, be the grace of God King of Scottis, to our customaris of our burgh of Edinburgh present and tocum, greting, Forasmekle as it is vnderstand be the lordis of our counsall that we ar greittumlie defraudit in our cvstomes throw pakking and peling of merchand gude in Leith to be had furth of our realme, and throw selling of strangearis guidis in Leyth vnenterit to our burgh of Edinburgh, in contrare our lawis and actis of parliament, and throw selling of clayth and vtheris guidis to strangearis in Leith vnsene or customit be yow, Oure will is heirfor and we charge yow straitlie and commandis vncontinent, thir our lettres sene ye pas and in our name and authoritie command and charge be oppin proclamatioun at the merkat cors of our said burgh all and syndrie our liegis and strangearis reparand within our realme, that nane of thame tak vpon hand to pak or peill in Leith or in the Cannogait ony maner of merchandice or guidis to be had of our realme, or to schip the saymn packet thair or in ony vther placis vnto the tyme that the saidis guidis be sene and custumit be yow our saidis custumeris, and the customes and dewtics thairof lelely payit as effeirs, nor that na strangearis bringand merchandice or guidis within our realme to our port of Leyth sell or mak mercat thairof in Leith or ony vther places to ony maner of personis quhill entre be maid thairof to our toun of Edinburgh, and their dewties payit according to our actis and statutis maid thairvpoun, vnder the pane of escheiting of all the saidis guidis packet schippit or sauld vnenterit in maner aboue written ; charging lykwys that na skipperis nor maisters of schippis saill furth of our realme fra our said port with thair schippis chargit with ony merchandice or guidis quhill the samyn be lelely enteret to yow our saidis customeris, and the cokket thairof deliuerit to thame and entred vnder the samyn pane ; nor that na maner of persons mak merket with strangearis of claith hydis woll or ony vther merchandice that aucht ws custome in Leith, bot that thai cum and mak the market thairof in our burgh of Edinburgh, that the samyn be nocht secretlie schippit and we defraudit of our customes aucht thairof, lykeas we haue bene in tymes bygane, vnder the samyn pane of escheiting of the saidis guidis bayth to the byaris and sellaris ; and efter the said proclamatioun that ye diligentlie serche and seik be your self your seruandis and factouris quhair ony maner of personis our liegis or stran-

Letteres discharging paking and pelyng in Leith and Cannogait.

[Against packing and peeling in Leith and Canongate.] gearis dois incontrair this our proclamatioun and inhibitioun in ony pointis, and quhair ony beis apprehendit that ye escheit the saidis guidis and inbring the samyn to our vse according to our saidis actis and statutis as ye will ansuer to ws vpoun the executioun of your office; and that ye in our name promit and gif to the serchcouris and fyndaris of the said escheit guidis ane pairt thairof according to thair labouris, and caus the mair diligence be done thairin: the quhilk to do we commit to yow our saidis custumeris present and to cum coniunctlie and seueralie, and to your seruandis and factouris that sall be lymmit be yow thairto, for the quhilk ye sall be haldin to ansuer our full power be thir our lettres, gavin vnder our Signet at Edinburgh, the x day of Maij and of our rigne the xviij yeir.

Ex deliberatione dominorum consilij.

CHEPMEN.

25 *September* 1506.

Continuatioun of the chesing of officeris. The provest baillies and counsall hes continuit the chesing of the electis of the officeris of the toun quhill this day viij dayis in the samyn effect as it is now, becaus certane of the nychtbouris ar yit furth of the toun quhilkis ar chosin vpoun the counsall.

26 *September* 1506.

Swyne. We do yow to witt that it is statute and ordanit and als thocht expedient be the provest baillies and counsale, for the commoun proffeitt and honesty of this burch, that na maner of swyne be haldin within this towne in the hie streitts nor venellis outwith hous nor outwith band, vnder the payne of slauchter of the swyne and escheitt of the samyn to the lokman Patrik Fressail, quhilk is ordanit to slay the samyn quhair euir he can apprehend thame vtwith hous and band as said is fra Monondáy afternone furth nixt tocum, and that thai devoyd the said swyne tomorne at none vnder the said payne. (In the same [convict] buik.—*Tr.*)

6 *October* 1506.

Curia post festum St Michaelis tenta vj° Octobris 1506.

[The court after the Feast of St Michael, held on 6th October 1506.]

Quheitt. The prouest and counsale fyndis x s. quheitt and decernis the pais thairafter.

Item xij d. aill and viij d. aile and na darrer vnder the paynis contenit in the statutes Aill.

Item, that na regratouris of wyld fowle or tayme or yitt of fische vnder the paynis contenit in the statutes. Regratouris.

We do yow to witt that it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsall of this burgh, for the commoun proffitt of the samyn, and all our Soucrane Lordis lieges repairand, for till eschew the exorbitant [price] of aill quhilk is speciallie throw the bying of malt be our nichtbouris in Leyth, nocht sufferand it to cum to the Kings merket and thair to be sawld after the forme of the act of parliament, that thairfor nane of our nichtbouris nor indwelleris within this burgh take vpoun hand fra this tyme furth to pas to Leyth to by ony malt to brew sell and regraitt, vnder the payne the first falt of ane vnlaw of viij s., and thairafter escheitt of the malt als oft as it may be owertayne and gottin swa brekand this statute but favouris. (In the same buik,—[*i.e.* the convict book, beginning in July 1505.]—*Tr.*) Proclamatio. Malt bying in Leyth.

20 *February* 1506-7.

The provest baillies and counsall hes ordanit the seriandis to pas throw the toun and charge euery honest man merchand and craftsmen that they have ilk ane ane new tortys reddy, and pas in thair best aray to the abbay with the provest and baillies quhane God sall provyde the Quene to be deliuerit, and that ilk man be reddy to sett furth thair fyre quhane thai sall be chargit be the bell. For the byrth of our King.

21 *April* 1507.

It is statute ordanit and thocht expedient be the provest baillies and counsale for the commoun proffitt and till eschew the greitt skayth that mycht happin to the pure nychtbouris of this burgh browsteris tapparis and selleris of aill till proceid vpoun thame to the thrid falt quhilkis spayning fra the operatioun that in tyme to cum thai sall nor tap na deirare aill fra this day furth than xij d. the galloun, vnder the payne of viij s. to be raisit of the brekare als aft as it happinis, and that to be gevin to the kirk werk; and ordanis thairfore the officeris to raise and inbring the said vnlawes and the poyndis taken thairfor to the dene of gild, to be ponit to the kirk werk as said is but favouris. (In the convict buik, beginnand July 1505.—*Tr.*) Aill.

6 *October* 1507.

Regratouris. It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale, for the commoun proffitt of this towne and the nychtbouris thairof and all vtheris repairand thairto, that in tyme that na maner of regratouris of quheitt, meile, malt, fische, powltrie, wylde fowle or tayme, butter, egs nor cheise, nor siclyke, tak vpoun to by ony of the said victuall or stufe abouewrittin to sell and regraitt agane vnto the tyme that the nycbtboures of the town be first seruit to thair awin vse, vnder the paynis, the first of ane vnlaw, the secund falt escheitt of the stufe, and the thrid time spayning fra the occupatioun, after the tenour of the awld statutes maid thairvpoun obefoir viz:

Merkat tyme. That the quheitt be nocht oppinit to sell nor sene before the hour of xj houris in wynter and x houris in summer.

Item, the meile apoun the Mononday quhill ij houris afternone, and on the Wednisday and Fryday quhill x before none be strikkin.

And the malt quhill x houris be strikkin before none.

And at all victuallis cvmmand to this towne to sell be putt in the Kings merkett oppinly to sell, and nocht to be hid nor kepit in hous priuately to be sawld be the bringers allanerly. (In the same buik.—*Tr.*)

23 *March* 1507–8.

Prima Gilde tenta coram Alexandro Lawdir preposito et Willelmo Foular decano gilde burgi de Edynburgh et consulibus ejusdem xxiij° die mensis Martij anno domini j^{m} v^{c} septimo.

[The first Gild held before Alexander Lauder, Provost, and William Fowlar, Dean of Guild of the Burgh of Edinburgh, and the Councillors of the same, on the 23d day of the month of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and seven.]

Statutum [ ] burgensis et confratrum gilde. The quhilk day it is statut and ordanit that in tyme cuming the priuilegis of burges barnis be obseruit and kepit in this wis, that the burges eldest son sal pay enterand as air to his fader sal pay for his burgesry vj s. viij d., and for gildry enterand be his fader brother of the gild xiij s. iiij d.; and for the secund son his burgesry xiij s. iiij d., and for his gildry xx s., and siclike the burges doichteris

lauchfulle gottin to haue the priuilege of the secund son, viz, for the burgesry lxiij s. iiij d., and for the gildry xx^{li} s. Statutum burgensis et confratrum gilde.

Item, of the vnfremen enterand for his burgesry thre li., and for his gildry five li., with the clerkis fee and the vtheris that accordis.

29 *March* 1508.

Statutum super libertate facultatum burgensis et confraternitis gilde huiusmodi burgi de Edinburgh atque super colorationem bonorum alienorum editum antepenultimo die mensis Martij anno domini j^{m} v^{c} viiij^{o} per prepositum baliuos consules et fratris gilde eiusdem burgi. Statute vpoun the coloring of vnfremenis guidis.

[Statute upon the liberty and faculty of burgesses and bretheren of the gild of this Burgh of Edinburgh, and upon the colouring of strangers goods, made the 29th day of the month of March, in the year of our Lord 1508, by the Provost, Bailies, Councillors, and gild brethren of the same Burgh.]

The quhilk day it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies counsale and brether of the confrarie of the gild within this burgh of Edinburgh that na fremen of the samyn, burges nor bruther of the gilde, consele nor colour vnder the colour of his awin ony vnfremenis guidis outher pertenyng to burgesry or gildry in ony tyme to cum, vnder the pane quhaircuer the contrare heirof may be notourlye knawin or ourtane of depriuation of that persoun quhatevir he be fra his facultie and priuilege of burgesry or gildry quther sa evir it be, and of baith gif it hapinis, and nocht to be gottin nor obtenit agane be that persoun trespassand without he by the saymn agane at the vttir poynt, besyde the violatione of his aith, becaus he is suorne in the contrare the tyme of his first creacione, and this statute is diuisit maid and ordanit for the obseruing and keiping of the honour faith and priuelege of the saidis facultes of burgesry and gildry within burgh efter the forme of the auld gud statuttis and rewlis thairof.

10 *April* 1508.

It is appointit and concordit betuix Robert Rynd [and] Patrik Richartsoun thesaurare, in name of the provest and counsale of the toun, on the ane pairt, and Duncane Donaldsoun and James Jhonstoun on the vther pairt, in this wys, that the said Duncane and James sall serche and tak furth of the havin of Leith all the lows stanis extending fra the bulwark inwart towart the west, incontinent as the wedder requiris, for the quhilkis the said thesaurar he bocht and deliuerit to thame ij bollis ry. The toun in vse of the clanging of thair havin, etc.

5 *May* 1508.

Fleschures. The quhilk day it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale of this burgh of Edinburgh, with the avyse of the kirkmaister and heidismen of the flescheour craft within this burgh, for the honesty and guid rewle of the samyn, viz. Adame Edzear, David Maitland, James Quhitrig, Robert Dalrumpill, Dauid Gulde, Thome Greg, Symon Law, Jhone of Kirk, Michaell Inche, Stevin Law, William Burn, Duncan Wilsoun, James Bissett, Watt Constabill, Johne of Fyfe, George Crystesoun, Adame Steuinsoun, Jhone Steuinsoun, Will Twedy, Jhone Blak, Sande Donaldsoun, Jhone Con, Jame Scott, Jhonn Home, Edward Vr, Richie Crystie, Will Lowsone, Henry Grahame and Johne Hairt, in thair awin names and in the behalf of the haill craft, that in tyme to cum thai sall haif thair stall and standis weill tentit with fair canves, and thair flesche thair offerit to sell to be coverit with fair lynning clayths for the honest handling of thair said stufe and at the sellaris thairof be honestlie habilleit according to thair facultie with honest apronis convenient thairfore, and at thai sell nocht oppinly in the merket thair nolt heids nowmyllis nor interallis of thair flesche bot quyetlie in private places, and at all thair stokis be of ane lenth, viz., ten fute of lenth, and nocht ane langer than ane vther, and honestly putt at poynt efferand for the honour of this guid towne and the honesty and proffeit of thame sellares of the said stufe and flesche, and quhilk of thame that failyes heirinto sall pay to the kirk wark xl s. till ane vnlaw als oft as it happinis but favouris, and this till indure quhill ane vther convenient way be considderit for the said flescheouris.

Fische mercat. It is ordanit that the fische mercat be halden downe besyde the dyke of the Trinity College, and at nane be sawld in ony vther place on the hie gaitt bott allanerly thairabout the said dyke and place vnder the payne of xl s., and at the sellares and brekkaris of the greit fische haif thair stoks and grayth thairdone for that intent weill and honestly put at poynt as accordis vnder the same payne. (In the convict buik begynnand in July 1505.—*Tr.*)

8 *June* 1508.

Pro Willelmo Ker. In Dei nomine Amen: Per hoc presens publicum [instrumentum] cunctis pateat euidenter quod anno incarnacionis Dominice J^{m} v^{c} viij^{o}, mensis vero Junii die octavo, Indictione xi^{a}, pontificatus sanctissimi in Cristo patris

ac domini nostri domini Julii diuina prouidencia Pape secundi anno quinto. In honorabilis viri Willelmi Goldsmyth aque balliui ville et portus de Leith pertinentis jurisdictioni burgi de Edinburgh, infra regnum Scotie, pro tribunali sedentis, meique notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter comparuerunt in judicio Thomas Winter actor ab vna, et Willelmus Ker reus partibus ab altera. Quiquidem Thomas vindicabat ipsum Willelmum super iniusta detentione a se decem lastarum salis ville de Tralsound quas ab ipso emebat in dicta villa de Tralsound fore deliberatarum huc infra regnum Scotie, xii barellos pro quaque lasta pure salis plenos libere a solucione cuiuscunque freti expensarum omniumque aliorum costagiorum quorumcunque, idem Thomas soluendo sibi pro vnoquoque barello duodecim solidos monete Scotie. Et super huiusmodi contractu ipse Thomas premanibus deliberauit in partem solucionis eidem Willelmo vnum scutum gallicanum extendentem in valorem ad xiiii solidos monete Scotie vt asseritur. In quaquid causa sic vendicare antedictus Willelmus offerebat se ibidem rite et juridice respondere et defensare vt equitati congruebat. Tandem inter ipsas partes concordatum fuit appetitu et desiderio dicti Thome Winter actoris quod huiusmodi causa comparueret et sortiretur effectum coram judicibus et legislatoribus dicte ville de Tralsound tantum, ad quod idem Willelmus Ker voluntarie et gratanter annuebat et concedebat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis premissis pretactus Willelmus Ker a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri petiit presens publicum instrumentum. Acta erant hec apud predictam villam de Leith, hora quasi vndecima ante meridiem, sub anno mense die indictione et pontificatu quibus supra, presentibus ibidem magistro Roberto Pringill rectore de Morem, magistro Thoma Strathauchin vicario de Boncle, Alexandro Creichtone et Johanne Leggait cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Pro Willelmo Ker.

[In the name of God, amen: Be it manifestly known to all men by this present public instrument, that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and eight, on the eighth day of the month of June, in the eleventh Indiction, and fifth year of the pontificate of the most holy Father in Christ and our Lord by divine providence Pope Julius the Second, In presence of an honourable man William Goldsmith, water bailie of the town and port of Leith, belonging to the jurisdiction of the Burgh of Edinburgh, within the Kingdom of Scotland, sitting in judgment, in presence of me notary-public, and of the witnesses subscribing, personally compeared

Pro Willelmo Ker.

in judgment Thomas Winter, pursuer on the one part, and William Kerr, defender on the other part, The said Thomas sued the said William for the unjust detention from him of ten lasts of salt of the town of Tralsound [Stralsund], which he bought from him in the said town of Tralsound, to be delivered here, within the kingdom of Scotland, twelve barrels full of pure salt for each last, free from payment of all expenses of freight and of all other costs whatever, the said Thomas paying for each barrel twelve shillings of Scotch money. And in respect of such contract, the said Thomas publicly delivered to the said William, in part payment, one French crown, amounting in value to fourteen shillings of Scotch money, as is asserted. In which case the foresaid William made offer that he would duly and legally answer and defend as accords with justice. At length it was agreed between the parties, by desire of the said Thomas Winter, pursuer, that the said cause should be heard and brought to end before the judges and legislators of the town of Tralsound only, to which the said William Kerr voluntarily and thankfully assented and agreed. Of which all and sundry the premises the said William Kerr asked the present public instrument to be made for him by me, notary-public, subscribing. These things were done at the foresaid town of Leith about the eleventh hour of the forenoon, in the year, month, day, and pontificate above written, in presence of Mr Robert Pringle rector of Morham; Mr Thomas Strachan vicar of Boncle; Alexander Crichton, and John Leggat, with divers other witnesses to the premises specially called and required.]

18 *July* 1508.

Vnfremen. Flescheour craft.

The quhilk day, anent the supplicatioun maid be Thomas Greg kirkmaister of the flescheour craft and the laif of the masteris of the samyn, that thir personis vnder written viz. Thomas Harvye, Jhone Glen, Dauid M'Kilwarrand, Will Cristesoun, James Gilry, Jhone Mores, Thomas Robesoun, Jhone Alanesoun, vnfremen of this burgh, Robert Law, Patrik Govanelokis and Johne Naper fre burges, that the vnfremen occupiit the fredome of thair craft nother havand the fredome of the burgh nor of thair craft, and als that the fremen war nocht vncorporat in thair facultie and fredome, it wes ordanit and deliverit be the provest baillies and counsale that the said vnfremen be dischairgit fra the operatioun of the flescheour craft except the fre market dayis Sounday and Monanday quhill thai obtene thair fredome, and the provest and counsale be forther avisit, and as for the said fremen thai ar submittit with consent of pairtie to be examit be Thomas Greg, Symon Law, Michael Inche and Jhone of Fyfe,

sworne thairto in jugement, quhether thai be abile and wirthye be thair practice to be admittit to the occupatioun of the said craft or nocht, and as for thair contributioun of thair vpset the provest and counsall till auys thairvpoun baith for the honour of thair altar the proffeit of the toun and honestie of the craft, and as the said maisteris fyndis in the said examinatioun to schaw the samyn to the toun. Vnfremen. Flescheour craft.

9 *September* 1508.

The provest and counsale ordanis the baillies and officeris to searche and seik quhair the proclamatioun and statute of the aill was laitlie maid [and] proclamit is broken be ony persoun within this burgh, and quhair thai fynd it brokin that thai tak thair aill and dele the samyn. Deling of aill for insufficientnes.

30 *September* 1508.

It is appointit betuix the toun on the ane pairt and Patrik Brig wricht on the vther pairt, in this wys, that the said Patrik sall mak and perfurnis to thair hospitall in Sanct Marie Wynd ane compleit ruf all of akin tymer new and setting of the cuppillis sall be of the thiknes that euerye thre cuppillis sall tak the lenth of a windeous pipe staf and the laging of thame strikin of, and to be of sufficient stuf and tymmer and werkmanschip at the sicht of the provest baillies and counsall, and to be of lenth the ruf sparris according to the widnes of the hous, and this werk to be completit betuix this and Martymes nixt to cum, for the quhilk thai sall content and pay to him ten li. and thairof payit to him in hand vj li. and the vther iiij li., to be payit at the compleiting ending and vpsetting of the said ruf, and he to perfurnis the said wark and vpsetting as said is all on his expensis and vpoun his gude warkmaneschip and gyding thai skynk him the tymmer of the auld ruf. Testibus, Willelmo Hopper Jhone Levingtoun, baillies, Willelmo Lokkart, Willelme Goldsmyth et multis alijs. The last rufe put on the Hospital of Sant Marie Wynd.

30 *October* 1508.

It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale that all stabulares within this burgh haif thair stabillis weill and sufficientlie furnist with hek [and] manynger, sufficient lokkis and catbandis for thair duris, for the sure keping of the hors that stabillis with thame, and sall sell the best corne for iiij d. and the furallar and secundare for ij d. the pek, and the stane of hay for iiij d. guid stufe and fresche, and at thai haif thair convenient ballands and wechts thair- Stabilleris.

Stabilleris. fore, and at thai bewar with thair candill in thair hay hous that na skayth nor daynger cum thairthrow, vnder the payne of the awld statutes maid thairvpoun of before.

Candel-makeris. *Ibid.* It is statute and ordanit that all persouns that makis candill to sell within this burgh that thai make thair candill of guid and sufficient stufe bayth weik and talloun and sufficient werkmanschip, and that thai sell the pund na derare than for iij d., and at thai haif their wechtis les and mair convenient thairfore, and als that na talloun be meltit on the foregaitt in hous vnder the payne of the awld statutes maid thairvpoun.

Furrouris. *Ibidem.* It is statute and ordanit that na furrouris dwelland within this burgh steip thair skynis in forehous nor hing thame in forestaris nor yitt ding thame on the hiegaitt vnder the payne of the awld statutes maid thairvpoun.

Walkeris. *Ibidem.* It is statute and ordanit that na maner of walkeris dwelland within this burgh hing thair claythis in forestairis nor wesche thame in forehoussis vnder the said paynis to be raisit to the kirk werks. (In the convict buik begynand in July 1508 is contenit, penultum Octobris, quhat yéir vncertane, but be ordour of the buik apperis to be 1507 or 1508.—*Tr.*)

29 *November* 1508.

Anent the mesouris of victuallis. The quhilk day, (it is diuisit and ordanit be) the provest ballies and hale counsale ordanis the thesaurare to mak certane watter mesouris to serve our Soverane Lordis liegis and all vtheris equalie, and that the wattir hale boll to contene lxxxxvj pyntis, the half boll xlviij pynttis and the firlott xxiiij pyntis, and that thir mesouris serve till quheit beir and ry and all vther victuallis, and that the fermoraris of the dewteis of the toun vs nor len na mesouris bot of the quantitie aboue writtin as thai will answer to the Kingis hienes thairvpoun, swa that the chalder be the watter met contene xviij bollis land mett.

Villa. Craftis. Offices. The quhilk day, the provest baillies and greit counsale and ane pairt of the craftismen of the toun ansueris and deliueris anent the petitionis askit and desyrit be ane vther pairt of the said craftismen of the samyn be thair foirspeker Thomas Hathowye, viz., that vj or viij of thame mycht be on the daylie counsale of the toun, and ane pairt of thame to vs the office of bailyerie and vtheris officis, that considering thair is actis of our Souerane Lordis parliament made vpoun the chesing of all officiaris and counsale within burgh, the quhilkis thai dar nocht nor will nocht brek nor vsurpe in na pairt aganis the samyn, nor yit

mak alteratioun nor innouatioun thairvpoun but avise of the Kingis hienes and his parliament. And as for the sadis craftismen it is consentit that thai haue keipit to thame all priuilegis in tyme tocum sicklyke as thai and thair predicessouris hes had in wont and vs in tymes bygane in sa far as thai concerne the commoun weill and proffeit, and at the nixt parliament thai sall avise with the Kingis grace and his lordis thairof tuiching the said mater. Villa. Craftis. Offices.

The quhilk day, in presens of the provest bailies and counsall, Thomas Hathowye allegit that he in name of the craftismene had gewin thair intentis in writt in before to thame and desyrit thair ansuer thairvpoun, and than ansuerit the provest sayand the toun had put thair ansuer in writt to be gevin to thame.

3 *December* 1508.

The quhilk day, it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies counsall and haill brether of the confrarie of Sant Anthone, for the commoun weill and proffeit of all our Souerane Lordis liegis and of this burgh, that fra this tyme furth quhane ony strangeris cummys with wyne of thair awin eventour that the vintenaris sall cheis iiij or vj personis of thair facultie to bye the hale hoip of wynis and mak competent pryce thairof, and that evinlie to be deuidit betwix the hale tavernaris of the samyn pryces, the Kingis hienes being first seruit, and that na persoun interpone thame to haue ony entres in taking of the said hous in that kynde, nor yit done our seruice thairin as efferit, bot past his way in fer partis of our realme nocht makand residence nor furnisand the said wyne bot he that is bruther of the said facultie and hes payit and payis him dewtye to the altar and craft as efferis; and quhat personis that beis foundin doand the contraire heirof sall pay fyve pundis to Sanct Gelis kirkwark and xl s. to the reparatioun of thair said altar als oft as happinis but favouris; and nane by ony of the said wynis without it be enteret in the tounis buikis vnder the said panys. Ordour for buying of winis.

6 *December* 1508.

Vniuersis et singulis ad quorum notitias presentes litere peruencrint prepositus balliui et consules burgi de Edinburgh infra regnum Scotie, salutem in omnium saluatore. Vestra nouerit vniuersitas quod die date presentium coram nobis quedam littere reprisalis seu marque excellentissimi et serenissimi principis ac domini nostri domini Jacobi quarti Dei gratia Scotorum Regis invictis- Litera marque. Bartoun.

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simi, sub secreto sigillo suo, pargameno scripta, cera rubea albe impressa sigillata, pro parte et nomine Roberti Bartoun fuit presentata et producta cuius tenor de verbo in verbum sequitur et est talis :—Jacobus Dei gratia Rex Scotorum dilectis seruitoribus nostris Johanni Bartoun et Roberto Bartoun filiis quondam dilecti seruitoris nostri Johannis Bartoun naucleri, ceterisque liegis et subditis nostris naucleris, et aliis in comitiua cum dictis Johanne et Roberto pro tempore existentibus, inuaserant alias quandam nauim progenitoris nostri inclytissimi pirate aliquot nationis Portugalie quam sub Deo dictus quondam Johannes gubernauit et illam nauium classis multitudine in deditionem subegere mercesque preciosas summi precij subtraxerant et instrumentis bellicis spoliarunt nauim. Cuius occasione pater noster serenissimus equitati et justitiae satisfaciens regi Portugalie querelam suam transmisit requisiuitque eundem vt rapta faceret bona prout equitati congruit resarciri, ea tamen sue requisitionis virtute minime extant restituta, qua in re dictus noster progenitor in vim denegate justitie literas represalis et marque contra quoscunque nationis Portugalie juxta juris exigentiam decreuit, nos vero illius nostri charissimi progenitoris vestigia imitantes et litteras hujusmodi justas et decernentes vobis Johanni et Roberto predictis ceterisque legeis et subditis nostris vobiscum in comitiua pro tempore existentibus reprisalis seu marque literas nostras pariformiter damus et concedimus per presentes vt a quibuscunque nationis Portugalie viris ob causam denegate justitie predictam ad valorem summe trium mille coronarum monete Francie recipiatis et ad nos reportetis. Sic tamen vt illi Portugalenses quibus literas speciales licentie et immunitatis prius dictus pater noster serenissimus aut nos donauimus cum suis nauibus et mercibus ille si permaneant, et has reprisalis et marque literas nolumus aliquo pacto ad eosdem sub nostra protectione extendi. Datum sub nostro secreto sigillo apud burgum nostrum de Edinburgh vigesimo quinto die mensis Junij anno domini j^{m} quadragentesimo nonagesimo quarto, et regni nostri septimo.

Et quia post hujusmodi litere originalis reprisalie seu marque prelecturam et eiusdem cum presenti exemplari siue transumpto debitam collationem fideliter eos concordare in vicem comperimus ; igitur nos dicti prepositus balliui et consules decreuimus ut huic presenti transumpto plena fides vbique locorum adhibeatur sicut principalibus literis origionalibus si in medio producerentur, In quorum omnium et singulorum fidem et testimonium premissorum sigillum nostrum hujusmodi burgi ad causas presentibus appendi jussimus apud eundem sexto die mensis Decembris anno domini j^{m} v^{c} viij^{o}.

[To all and sundry to whose notice the present letters shall come, the Provost, Bailies, and Councillors of the Burgh of Edinburgh, within the Kingdom of Scotland, greeting in the Saviour of all,—Know you all that before us, on the day of the date of these presents, a letter of reprisal or marque of the most excellent and serene prince and our lord James IV., by the grace of God the most invincible King of Scots, given under his privy seal, written on parchment, sealed with red wax impressed on a white ground, was on behalf and in name of Robert Barton, presented and produced, of which the tenor, word for word, follows and runs thus :— JAMES, by the grace of God King of Scots, to our beloved servants John Barton and Robert Barton, sons of our late beloved servant John Barton, shipmaster, and other shipmasters, our lieges and subjects, and others in the company of the said John and Robert for the time [greeting] : Some pirates of the nation of Portugal attacked a ship of our late most illustrious ancestor, which, under God, the late John commanded, and with a fleet of many ships compelled it to surrender, and robbed it of merchandise of very great value, and stripped it of its armament. On account of which our most serene father, in satisfaction of equity and justice, transmitted his complaint to the King of Portugal, and required him to cause the goods which had been seized to be restored as accorded of justice. Those goods, accordingly, which were extant, were restored in virtue of his demand. In which transaction our said ancestor, being denied justice in full, decreed letters of marque and reprisal against all of the nation of Portugal, as accords of justice. We, moreover, following the footsteps of our late most dearly beloved ancestor, and declaring such letters just, in like manner grant and concede by these presents to you, John and Robert aforesaid, and our other lieges and subjects who shall be in your company for the time, our letters of marque or reprisal, that you may receive and bring back to us from any men whomsoever of the nation of Portugal, on account of the justice aforesaid being denied, to the extent of three thousand crowns of money of France. So however that those Portuguese to whom our said most serene father or we formerly granted special letters of licence and immunity shall remain with their ships and merchandise uninjured; and we forbid that these letters of marque and reprisal be on any pretence extended to the same, being under our protection. Given under our Privy seal at our Burgh of Edinburgh, the twenty-fifth day of the month of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and ninety-four, and in the seventh of our reign :

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And as after reading said original letter of reprisal or marque, and due comparison with the present copy and transumpt, we have found them faithfully to agree with each other, therefore, we the said Provost, Bailies, and Councillors decree

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that full faith may henceforth be everywhere accorded to the present transumpt as to the original principal letters, if they shall be produced in court. In faith and testimony of all and sundry the premises, we have ordered the seal of cause of our said Burgh to be affixed to these presents, at the said Burgh, the sixth day of the month of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and eight.]

15 *May* 1509.

Wobsteris, Walkaris.

The quhilk day the provest baillies counsale and kirkmaisteris hes consentit and ordanit that in tyme to cum baith the craftis, viz, webstaris, wakeris and scheraris, in all tymes of processioun quhair euir thair bannaris beis borne, that thai pas togedder and be incorporat vnder ane baner in als formis as thai pleis; and to be maid in this wys, that thair baneris of baith the saidis craftis be paynitt with the imagis figuris and armis of the webstaris, and principalie becaus thai ar found the elder craft and first placit; and with the ymagis figuris and armys of the said scheraris and wakaris quarterrie rynnand togedder; and the armes of the webstaris, viz. thair signe of the spule to be vnmaist in ilk baner; and ilk ane of thair craftis to haue thair bymarkis on thair awin bannaris that thai mak principale cost vpoun for the keiping of the samyn; and the said scheraris and wakeris to pas vnder the bannar of the webstaris quhill thai may gudlie furnis thair awin, and the armys of the said scheraris and wakeris to be now put in the webstaris bannaris gif thai may be gudlie formit and gottin thairvntill.

19 *July* 1509.

Villa penes nauium per Andream Berton captain.

Decimo nono die mensis Julij, hora xi ante meridiem, anno Domini j^{m} v^{c} nono, indictione xii, pontificatus Julii Pape secundi anno vi^{to}. In honorabili viri Alexandri Lawdir prepositi burgi de Edinburgh infra regnum Scotie presentia personaliter constitutus Petrus Lempsoun nauclerus, cuiusdam nauis vocate le Fasterinsolum de Handwarpe, sua propria voluntate non coactus exposuit et declarauit quod excellentissimus et serenissimus princeps supremus dominus noster Rex huius incliti regni Scotie decreuit et ordinauit dictam nauim jamdudum per Andream Bertoun captam cum istis bonis viz. triginta funibus, quinque cabilis, tresdecim barrellis bitumenis, duabus saculis lupili hoipe, vnum le mawnd, vno sero pleno luti, v^{c} cannys et aliis rebus paruulis sibi restitui et deliberari, De quibus idem nauclerus et sui marinarii Arnoldus Peterson et

Villa penes nauium per Andream Berton captain.

Gilbrandus Clawson et quidem alii fatebantur se bene contentos et plenarie persolutos, atque de eiisdem et omnibus aliis bonis in dicta naui tempore sue captionis existentibus et cum quibus idem Andreas aliqualiter intromisit et de suis dampnis et interesse inde sustentis exonerarunt et quitteclamauerunt sicuti tenore presentis instrumenti exonerarunt et quitteclamauerunt dictum S. D. N. Regem ipsum Andream omnesque alios suos mercatores et legios quoscunque de predictis naui apparalibus suis et bonis superius expressis et aliis quibuscunque nunc et imperpetuum Super quibus honorabilis et discretus vir magister Jacobus Henrison nomine ville petiit instrumentum munimandum sigillo communi ad causas: Acta apud Edinburgh ante mansionem ipsius magistri Jacobi hora quasi supra presentibus ibidem Willelmo Carmychael, George Dikson, Patricio Richartson, Willelmo Hoppar, et Patricio Barron.

[On the nineteenth day of the month of July, at the eleventh hour before noon, in the year of our Lord 1509, the twelfth indiction, and the sixth year of the pontificate of Pope Julius the Second. In presence of an honourable man Alexander Lawdir Provost of the Burgh of Edinburgh, within the kingdom of Scotland, personally compeared Peter Lempsoun, master of a certain ship called the Fasterinsolum of Antwerp, and of his free will, uncompelled, set forth and declared that the most excellent and most serene Prince, our Sovereign Lord the King of this renowned kingdom of Scotland, decerned and ordained the said vessel lately captured by Andrew Bertoun, with the following goods: thirty ropes, five cables, thirteen barrels of pitch, two sacks of lupili hoipe [?], one mawnd, one sack full of wald, five hundred cannys, and other small things, to be restored and delivered to him; of which the said captain and his seamen, Arnold Peterson and Gilbrand Clawson, and some others, acknowledged themselves to be well content and fully paid; and of the same and of all other things in the said ship at the time of her capture, and with which the said Andrew at any time intromitted, and of his damages and expenses thereby sustained, they exonered and discharged, as by the tenor of the present instrument they exonered and discharged our said Sovereign Lord the King, the said Andrew, and all others his merchants and lieges whatsoever, of the foresaid ship, her furnishing and goods above expressed, and others whatsoever, now and for ever. Upon which an honourable and discreet man Master James Henrison, in the name of the town, asked an instrument to be sealed with the common seal for causes. Done at Edinburgh, before the house of the said Master James, at the foresaid hour, being there present William Carmychel, George Dikson, Patrick Richartson, William Hoppar and Patrick Barron.]

27 *September* 1509.

Clengeing of the Calsay.

The quhilk day, in presence of the provest baillies and counsale and community, Thomas Jhonstoun calsay maker, and Jhone Broun saltare, present thair supplicatioun desyring the clengeing and dichting of the hie gaitt, and to fynd and sustene for that intent hors with close cairts, quheill barrowes and vther neidfull instruments thairfore, and thai to haif dewteis vsit and wont; with the quhilk desyre the prouest baillies counsale and community beand ryplie avysit, it wes considderit sa and appoyntit that the said Thomas and Jhone sall clenge the hie streitt fra the Castelhill to the heids of Leyth Wynd and Sanct Mary Wynd on bayth the sydis the gaitt, after the forme of the act maid thairvpoun of before, and als that thai sall furneis and mak yeirly, as lang as thai bruik the said office of calsay dichting, fourty ruids of calsay to be maid and compleittit at all pairtis of the said burgh quhair it sall be sene maist behufull and expedient to the provest baillies and counsale for the time, vpoun thair laubouris costs and expenssis, for the quhilk clenging and furnesing of the said fourty ruids of calsay yeirly, with the consent and avyse of the community foresaid, thai sall haif and it sall be lefull to thame to raise and ressaue yeirly and at all tymes convenient thir proffeitts wedges and dewteis vnderwrittin, viz. To tak of euery buith volt sellar and chalmer of ilk foreland plenist and inhabite of the hie streett on bayth the sydes of the same ane penny in the quarter, viz. iiij d. in the yeir, and of euery flescheour occupeand his stok on the hie gaitt with flesche or fische, for the clengeing of thair inhonestie and filth of the same, four pennies ilk quarter, viz. xvj d. in the yeir. Item of ilk owt flescheour selland thair flesche on stoks or burdis on the merket Mononday to pay on that Mononday ane halfpenny for clengeing of his stand. Item, of ilk huikster selland and tappand fische in the merkat, heiffand na buith on the forgaitt, to pay j d. ilk quarter, viz. iiij d. in the yeir. And of the daylie cummers and sellares of fische that dwellis nocht in this burch, of ilk hors laid a halfpenny or the worth of a halfpenny of the stufe thairof at the will of the gevare. And the said clengers of the gait to haif thair dewteis of the victualle merkats vsit and wont, viz., of ilk laid thair dischefull market and brynt with the townis mark, and of the half laid the half dische full. And of ilk vther hors laidfull of guidis laid down in the merkatt to be sawld, a halfpenny. And as for the burdings brocht vpoun men or

wemenis heids or baks or in their hands to pay nathing. And of ilk hors cumand with laids to the towne, standand and eittand thair meitt on the streitt owtwith a stabill, and swa remanand langer nor thai may be staiblitt, sall pay for ilk heid swa standand and fuilzeand the gaitt ane halfpenny. Item, the prouest bailles and counsale hes constitute the said clengeouris of the gaitt to consider and espye all the regratouris in the fische merkett bye na fische to regraitt agane before the hour of xij of the day, becaus it is forbidden be statutes maid thairvpoun. And at the brekkares to be pvinst thairfor after the forme of the samyn. And at na thing be tayne of the stufe sawld on hors bak nowther hydes, mantis, hors corne, nor swa siclyk guids, without it be laid down in the merkett and thair remayne quhill it be sawld. (In the same (convict) buke.—*Tr.*) Clengeing of the Calsay.

2 *January* 1509–10.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis to the prouest baillies counsall and communite of our burgh of Edinburgh greting, Forsamekil as we ar informit that ye haue at our request and desyr sett ane of your commoun buthis in your belhous to William Dun goldsmyth vnder your commoun seil, we beand that tyme informit that the said William suld for the honour of us and the commoun profit of our realme and liegis haue and halde ane commoun hous of change for gold and siluer and furnis the samin thairto, nochtwithstandand our will and desyr beand fulfillit be yow he has nocht occupeit the said buth nor change, in greit scaith and hindering to ws and realme and liegis, and in contrar the informacioun maid to ws thairapoun, and now becaus the said buith is vacand throw the assedatioun maid to the said Williame baith for his absence and for the caus forsaid we exhorte and prais you herfore richt effectusly that ye will for our speciale request at this tyme sett the said hous and buith til our familiar and daily seruitour Maister Stephane, ypothegar, sa that he may be enterit thairintil and vse the samin with his materiall and spisery sa that he may be fundin thair redy to do ws seruice, sen it was knowin in our granesschyris tyme for ane ypothegaris buith, and as now our said burgh for our honour and pollesy of our realm suld haue sic like, sen it is neidfull and profitabil, the said Master Stephane paiand to you yerly als mekil mail as it gevis; and this ye wil the erar do for our requeist and prayer, and as ye wil reporte speciale thank of ws thairfor, and that ye will certify ws of your ententis [King's letter in favour of Stephane, apothecary.]

[King's letter in favour of Stephane, apothecary.]

and answer heryntill with the berer. Gevin vnder our signet at Edinburgh the secund day of Januar, and of our regne the xxj yer.

JAMES R. (L. S.) De mandato S.D.N. Regis.

SCHEUEZ.

26 *January* 1509–10.

Bartilmo Wawane. Cristina Lamb.

xxvi Januarii hora iii post merediem etc. vt supra, Accesserunt Alexander Lauder prepositus, Willelmus Foular decanus gilde, Andreas Elphinston de Selmys, Robertus Rynd, Patricius Richartson, Georgius Diksoun, Willelmus Hopper, Robertus Brus, Patricius Heriot, Willelmus Clerk, Johannes Merche, Walterus Chepman, et Jacobus Aikman, lincatores admissi, per Bartholomeum Wawane ab vna, et Cristinam Lamb de consensu Johannis Adamson junioris sui sponsi partibus ab altera, ad tenementum ipsius Cristine jacens in le Cowgait ex australi parte eiusdem, et ibidem linearunt superiorem vastam partem eiusdem tenementi immediate ascendentem a fonco orti eiusdem prout sequitur in vulgari. [On the 26th January, at three o'clock of the afternoon, &c., as above, appeared Alexander Lauder, Provost; William Fowler, Dean of Guild; Andrew Elphinston of Selmys, Robert Rhind, Patrick Richardson, George Dickson, William Hopper, Robert Bruce, Patrick Heriot, William Clark, John March, Walter Chapman and James Aikman, liners, admitted by Bartholomew Wawane, on the one part, and Christina Lamb, with consent of John Adamson younger her spouse on the other part, at the tenement of the said Christina, lying in the Cowgate, on the south side thereof, and there lined the upper waste part of the said tenement immediately rising from the garden well [?] of the same, as follows in the common tongue.] The lynaris forsaidis findis and deliueris be the leile lyne strekit immediatle fra the west side of Walter Chepmanis yard dike on the est part to the croft of the said Bartilmo on the west part that efter the tenour of the ald boundit charter producit be the said Crestine befoir thame it contenis betuix the said Walteris dike and croft fra hir heid yard dike southwart twa rudes and ane half rude, and v feet of mesure in breide, and sa till ascend vpthruch to the vinel passand fra the Kirk of Felde westwart. And decernit the said Cristyne to kep that mesure of breide in hir bigging as the pales of tre now ar fixt in the erd, contenand the said breid be al the said lenth

betuix hir land and the said Bartilmos croft. Et hec super petierunt dicte partes instrumentum. Testibus domino officiali, viz., magistro Willelmo Wawane, Thoma Bard et Willelmo Dik notario publico et multis aliis. Acta erant hec infra limites dicte terre vaste hora quasi supra. [And on this the said parties asked an instrument. Witnesses, the Official Mr William Wawane, Thomas Bard and William Dick, notary-public, and many others. These things were done within the bounds of the said waste land, at the hour above stated.]

Bartilmo Wawane. Cristina Lamb.

4 *February* 1509–10.

Tyll all and sundry quhais knawlege thir present lettres sal cum, the provest ballies and counsaill of Edinburgh greting in God euirlesting. Wit your vniuersiteis that the day and the dait of the making of thir present lettres comperit befor ws counsaly gatherit John Dauidsoun kirkmaister, Thomas Quhitehill, Nicholl Bynnyn, Andro Quhite, Alexander Willesoun, Peter of Murray, Williame Hamyltoun, Richert Nicholsoun and the laif of the maisteris of the Cordinar craft within this burgh, and presentit to ws thair supplicatioun contenand certane statutis articulis and reulis diuisit be thame and affermit be ws for the loving of God Almychty, the honour of the realme, the wirschip and proffet of this guid toun, and the proffet of all our Souerane Lordis lieges and vtheris reparand thairto; of the quhilk supplicatioun the tenour folowis:—My lordis provest ballies and worthi counsaill of this guid toun, vnto your honorabill discretionis richt humlie menis and schewis the kirkmaister and the laif of the maisteris of the Cordinar craft within this burgh, that quhair first for the loving of God Almychty, the honour of the realme, the wirschip and proffet of this guid tovne, and the proffett of all our Souerane Lordis liegis and vtheris reparand thairto, and in exampill of vtheris, and for augmentatioun of divine seruice at the altar of Crispine and Crispiiniane situat within the College Kirk of Sanct Geill of the said burgh, we desire that we micht haif thir statutis artikillis and reulis folowing grantit and gevin to ws be your autorite, quhairthrou guid reull and gyding may be had amangis ws of the said craft, baith maisteris and seruandis, and our successouris thairof in tyme to cum; considering it is said be commoun autorite that multitude but reull makis confusioun, and for to eschew the vice thairof and to be eschewit in tymis tocum thir folowand ar our resonabill desiris: In the first sen that all increasment of vertew practik and knawlege standis in guid begynnyng and fundament and frathinfurth to

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continew in vse and perseueris to finale end, that frathinfurth all maner of prentissis to be tane at the said craft sall stand in prentischip for the space of sevin yeris and nales, without dispensatioun of the principale maisteris of the said craft, and specialie in fauouris of the sonis of the said craft; and ilk prentis to pay at his entre to the reparatioun and vphalding of divine seruice at our said altar sex schillingis aucht pennis; and that nouthir thir prentissis nor nane vthir persoun of the said craft be sufferit to sett up buith within this said burgh without he be fundin sufficient habill and worthi thairto in practik and vthir wayis, and admittit thairto first be the sworne maisteris of the said craft, and maid freman and burges of the said burgh, and than for his vpsett to pay four merkis, except burges sonis of this tovne to pay twa merkis, to the reparatioun and vphaldin of divine seruice at our said altar; and that ilk seriand sall pay his vlkly halfpenny to vphaldin of divine seruis as said is; and gif ony man of the said craft cummis nocht to the quarter comptis four tymis in the yeir als aft as thai be, thai being lauchfully warnit be thair seriand thairto, thai sall pay twa pundis of walx vnforgevin, without thai haif ane lauchfull impediment, and the saidis twa pundis walx to be deliuerit to our said altar within twa dayis efter the falt be notourly knawin befor the said sworne maisteris of the said craft; and that na maner of maister of the said craft lift hous herbery nor ressaue ony vther maisteris prentice or seruand vnder the pane of paying of twa pund of walx to our said altar vnfoirgevin; and that ilk maister haldand buith within this burgh of the said craft sall pay his vlkly penny to the reparatioun of the ornamentis of our said altar, and sustene the preistis meit thairof as it cummis about; and that the said kirkmaister and ane certane of the principalis maisteris of the said craft that sal happin to be for the tyme sall haif full faculte leif and priulege with ane officiar of the toune to pas with thame poynd distrenye gif neid be for the takin rasing and inbringing of thir dewiteis forsadis to the sustentatioun and vphalding of God's seruice as said is but danger stop or impediment; and gif thair be ony fre maister of the said craft that makis impediment in the paying of his said dewiteis, quhair throw ane officiar of this guid towne may be haldin to poynd him, he sall pay the officiaris fee for his laubouris als weill as the principale dewiteis that he is owin to the said altar; and gif ony maister of the said craft disobeys the kirkmaister that salbe for the tyme to pay twa pundis of walx for ik tyme he disobeyis vnforgevin to our said altar. Quhairfor my lordis sen thir our resonabill and simpill desiris and resonis

conformis to equite, and are consonant to honour and policy accordinge to the vse and consuetudes of greit tounis of honour in vther realmis and provincis, that ye wald grant to ws thame ratifeit and apprevit and confermit be you vnder your seill of caus in perpetuall memoriall of guid reull to be had in tyme tocum with your ansueir heirupoun we humbilie beseik; The quhilkis artikillis statutis and reulis being red hard and vndirstand and diligently considerit be ws that thai ar first for the loving of Almychty God, and sustentatioun of divine seruice, and for guid reulis to be had in tyme to cum amangis thame of the said craft, in augmentatioun and supple of the commoun proffitt, for to eschew misgidit wayis that has beyn vsit in tymes bygane, we haif ratifeit apprevit and confermit and be thair presentis for ws and our successouris ratifeis apprevis and confermis the samyn in all poyntis and artikillis to the saidis maisteris and thair successouris of the said craft in perpetuale memoriall in tyme tocum foreuirmair, and this to all quhame it effeiris we mak it knawin, be the tenour of thir our lettres. In witnes of the quhilk thing to thir our present letteres our commoun seill of caus of our said burgh we haif gart append at Edinburgh, the ferd day of Februar the yeir of God ane thousand five hundreth and nyne yeris.

Seal of cause to Cordiners.

30 *April* 1510.

[An act made in the common books of the Council, of this date, obliged the persons to whom certain acres of the Boroughmuir were let to build upon the said acres dwelling-houses, malt-barns, and cowbills, and to have servants for the making of malt betwixt and Michaelmas 1512; and failing their doing so, to pay £40 to the common works of the town, and also to pay £5 for every acre of three acres of the common muir set to them.—*See Act, dated 8th June* 1519.][1]

Boroughmuir.

12 *July* 1510.

The quhilk day in presens of the provest baillies and counsale it is appoyntit and agreit betuix the fermoureris of thair commoun mylnis now present, viz.:—Alexander Gray, Richart Patersoun, Thomas Ramsay and William Moreis, and the laif of the maisteris of the baxteris craft within this

Grynding at the mylnis.

[1] King James the Fourth, by Charter under the Great Seal, dated at Edinburgh 6th October 1508, empowered the Provost, Bailies, and Council of the burgh of Edinburgh to set or feu the common muir and common myre for augmenting the common good, provided that the persons to whom the lands were so let were subject to the jurisdiction of the burgh. He also granted the said lands for the building of houses and the making of policies thereupon, provided they were in no wise prejudicial to the town.—*Original Charter in the Archives of the City.*

Grynding at the mylnis.

burgh, for ceissing of variance and discord amangs thame in tyme cumming anent the conseruation and keping of thair rowmis in the grinding of thair gristis of quheit at thair commoun mylnis in tyme heirafter in this wyis, viz.: That euery nychtbour of the said baxter craft in tyme of scant of watter sall grynd at anes bot viij ladis of quheitt, and to brek for mayne xvj laid, and quhat persoun of the said craft that attempis till do in the contrair heirof sall pay xl s. to the kirkwark als oft as it happinis vnforgevin and quhen the watter is lairge. (This in the convict buik begynand in Julij 1505.—*Tr.*)

27 *February* 1510-11.

Pro villa et llegio.

xxvii die mensis Februarii, hora quasi xii diei, anno Domini j^{m} v^{c} decimo, indictione xiiii, pontificatus Julij Pape secundi anno viii°. Magister Gawinus Dowglas prepositus ecclesie collegiate diui Egidii de Edinburgh officialis et omnes prebendarii eiusdem respectu huius diei defectus in celebratione cum honore solito misse sanctissimi cruoris Domini nostri Jesu Christi de cetero firmiter promiserunt eandem omni die quarta feria honorabile facere et decantare sub penis omni die feriali pro personali pena ii d. et die festiuo iiii d.; et si contingat in toto deficere soluent prebendarii vnam marcam ad commune bonum confraternitatis Sancti Cruoris et quod in illa die non habeatur synodum priuilegiando quemquam a dicto seruicio; et protestatus est dominus officialis nomine ceterorum prebendariorum quod si contingat computo facto super accumulandis denariorum huiusmodi confraternitatis ad magnam quantitatem in summe quod ipsi aliquantulum habeant in suo refrigerio primo huiusmodi seruicio fiende: Acta erant hec in capitulo capitulariter congregati hora quasi supra Dominus Alexander Lauder prepositus ville de Blith miles petiit instrumentum. Testibus Wilelmo Hoppar, Adam Carkettil, Patricio Broun [*blank*] Elleis.

[On the twenty-seventh day of the month of February, about the twelfth hour of the day, in the year of our Lord 1510, the thirteenth indiction, the eighth year of the pontificate of Pope Paul the Second. Master Gavin Dowglas, provost of the Collegiate Church of St Giles of Edinburgh, the official, and all the prebendaries thereof, in respect of the failure today in the celebration with accustomed honour of the mass of the most holy blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, firmly promised in future to celebrate and sing the same on every Wednesday, under the penalties for every week day for each person twopence, and for a festival fourpence; and if all should fail, the prebendaries should pay one merk to the common good of the con-

fraternity of the Holy Blood, and they should not have the privilege of synod in any day to excuse from the said service. And the official, in name of the other prebendaries, protested that if it shall happen, upon taking account of the money which may be accumulated of the said confraternity, it amounts to a large sum, that they shall have a little of it for their own refreshment, the service being first done in this manner.[1] These things were done in the chapter chapterly convened about the foresaid hour. Sir Alexander Lauder, of Blith, Knight, Provost of the town, asked an instrument. Witnesses, William Hoppar, Adam Carketill, Patrick Brown, (*blank*) Elleis.] Pro villa et Collegio.

24 *April* 1511.

xxiiii^to^ die mensis Aprilis, etc. prescripti, hora vi post merediem. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter accessit honorabilis vir, Willelmus Hoppar vnus balliuorum burgi de Edinburgh ad communem moram eiusdem et ibidem virtute officii sui de speciali facultate et licencia supremi domini nostri regis ad infrascripta precipue exhibitis et concessis preposito et balliuis huiusmodi burgi statum possessionem corporalem et sasinam hereditariam vnius pecie terre vaste continentis viz secus lacum burgalem eiusdem burgi dimedietatem vnius acre terre pro edificiis desuper edificandis inter terram [*blank*] ex parte orientali et terram [*blank*] ex occidentali ab vna partibus et alia; etiam vnius particule terre arabilis eidem pecie terre annexe jacentis versus austrum continentis duas acras et dimediam vnius acre terre arabilis jacentis cum maiori large mensure quod illa particula in parte sterilis est et non adeo fertilis et fructuosa sicut cetere sunt terre circa adiacentes. Quia vnaquaque tenandria in huiusmodi mora debet continere in toto tres acras tantum terre edificantis et arabilis nisi dicta foret racionabilis causa sterilitantis et infructuosis secundum tenorem carte sub sigillo communi huiusmodi burgi desuper conficiende. Vicini tenentis in communi mora.

Similiter actum est nobili viro domino Alexandro Lauder de Blithe militi preposito Edinburgi.

Etiam Ade Carkettel.

Item magistro Waltero Layng.

Item Waltero Yong, etiam balliuus dicti burgi.

Item Johanni Adamson.

Item Johanni Watson.

[1] It is impossible to do more than guess at the meaning of this passage.

Burghmuir. Item Walterus Yong balliuus similiter dedit sasinam Willelmo Hoppar de sua parte.

Item Willelmus Hoppar balliuus dedit sasinam Willelmo Rynd.

Item Georgeo Towris.

Item Patricio Rechartson.

Item Ricardo Scot.

Item Johanni Rowat.

Item Waltero Thomson.

Item Willelmo Forsyth.

Item Thome Hathway.

Item Johanni Levington.

Testibus, domino Georgeo Lauder de Halton militi, domino Adam Spens, domino Johanne Jakson, notariis, magistro Clemente Fernle, Vincentio Strathauchin, Willelmo Paterson, Andrea Gram, Andrea Rowat, et Thoma Arnot, seriando.

[On the twenty-fourth day of April, etc., at six o'clock afternoon, In presence of me notary-public and the witnesses subscribing, an honourable man William Hoppar, one of the bailies of the Burgh of Edinburgh passed to the common muir of the same, and there, by virtue of his office and of the special faculty and licence of our supreme Lord the King to the underwritten precept, exhibited and granted to the Provost and Bailies of the Burgh, gave corporal state and possession and heritable sasine of a piece of waste land containing as follows:—Towards the Burgh Loch of the said burgh the half of an acre of land for houses and buildings to be erected thereon, between the lands of [*blank*] on the east, and the lands of [*blank*] on the west. Also of one piece of arable land annexed thereto, lying towards the south, containing two acres and the half of an acre arable land, lying with the larger measure, because that piece is in part barren, and not so fertile and fruitful as the other lands lying thereabout. For every tenandry in the said muir should contain in whole
f three acres of land only to be built and cultivated, unless there be a reasonable cause of barrenness and unfruitfulness, according to the tenor of the charter to be made thereupon, under the common seal of the Burgh.

The like was done to a noble man Sir Alexander Lauder of Blyth, provost of Edinburgh; also to Adam Carkettel; also to Mr Walter Layng; also to Walter Young, bailie of the said Burgh; also to John Adamson; also to John Watson. Also Walter Young bailie in like manner gave sasine to William Hoppar of his part. Also William Hoppar gave seisin to William Rynd; also to George Towris;

also to Patrick Rechartson; also to Richard Scott; also to John Rowat; also to Walter Thomson; also to William Forsyth; also to Thomas Hathway; also to John Levington. Witnesses Sir George Lauder of Halton knight, Sir Adam Spens, Sir John Jakson, notaries, Maister Clement Fernle, Vincent Strathauchin, William Paterson, Andrew Gram, Andrew Rowat and Thomas Arnot, seriands.][1] Burghmuir.

3 *May* 1511.

(The constable court halden before the provost and baillies of Edinburgh.)—*Tr.* Constable court.

6 *May* 1511.

The prouest baillies and counsale ordanis and deliueris, anent the complaynt maid be Richert Patersoun and the laif of the fermorairis of the petie customes of the toun schewand thai ar greitlie hurt be the nychtbouris at the ovir trone of woll butter cheis and siclyk stuf, that quhair be the ordinance of the said bailies and counsale laitlie before this thair commoun wechtis wer mynnist, becaus thay war to lairge agane the law, and thairthroch the said customes ar mynnist be the said nychtbouris that haldis the lairge wechts, yit still and sua the strangeris passis to thame and abusis the commoun wechtis, that in remeid thairof according to the commoun law that all stane wechtis sould be equale, they haue ordanit that all the saidis nychtbouris and vtheris within this toune haue thair stane wecht weyand xvj lib, and euerye pund to wey xvj vnce, half stane, quartar stane, and pund efferand thairto, and that thay vse nane vther vnder the pane of escheting of the wechtis and banessing of the toun quhair the contrair heirof may be vnderstand and apprehendit, and that the said nychtbouris vse their awin wechtis bot to serue thame selffis within thair awin houssis. The mesour of wechtis.

(Item, it is to be remembrit that in thir yeris aboue writtén the watter baillie wes yeirlie chosen at Mychaelmas with the vther baillies.—*Tr.*) Watter baillies.

[1] Various abstracts of infeftments in pieces of ground, forming part of the Boroughmuir, are recorded in the volume of Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh preserved in the Advocates' Library, pp. 122–131. These abstracts bear to have been taken from the protocol books of the notaries of the burgh, but it has not been considered necessary to give them. The above may be regarded as a fair example of the whole.

19 *June* 1511.

Sworn pynouris.

The quhilk day, in presens of the baillies and counsale of Edinburgh, thir persouns pyoneris vnderwritten, viz. Johne Allane, Johne Wilsoun, Jame Gilmor, Wil Eldare, Jame Robesoun, Jhone Masoun, Jhone Huntare, and Jhone of Dalmahoy wer admittit to labour and serue the merchants at thair port and heavin of Leyth, first to serue the Kings Hienes in his lawbouris that happins, and nixt his Grace, be ordour, the provest baillies counsale and communitie of the said burgh, and thairafter the strayngeris as accordis vpoun resoun, ilk ane in thair awin grie, and heirfore the saidis pyoneris ar sworn the holy evangellis twicheit hes gevin thair bodely aythis and to be leill and trew to the towne and merchants thairof anentt thair customes and dewteis to be had, and nocht to be dissauet thairintill in als far as thai may be diligence, and to keip the schore clene of all middings fuilzie and al sic stufe. (In the convict buik begynand Julij 1505.—*Tr.*)

Pest. Pettie custome of cord and canves.

The quhilk day, it is ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale anent the voydour callit cord and canves to be tayne be the petit custumeris within this burgh of pakkis of lint resortand thairto in tyme to cum and brocht to the samyn be vnfreemen and strayngeris that in favour of thame till eschew trubill that thai sall pay for ilk last of lint contendand ane hundreth and four staynis for the cord and canves thairof iii s. iiij d., and of the paks efferand to the raitt thairof and quantitie, to the petite customeris of this towne, or ellis to deliuer the cords and canves thairof as voidouris and all quhat sumeuir thai happin to be evill and guid beand in ony a merchands handis at the strayngeris will other the said money or the voider of the said paks, and the said money to be ferit and modefeit after the quantitie of the last efferand thairto.

10 *August* 1511.

Walkarris.

The quhilk day, in presens of the baillies and counsall sittand in jugement, James Hvme, kirkmaister of the scherer and walker craft producit certane statutis concernand thair craft vnder the commoun seill of cause of the toun, the quhilk maid mentioun that gif onye persoun of the said craft beis fundin wirkand with cairdis notit or previt vpoun him he sall pay for ilk tyme he beis ouretane or tayntit thairwith xv s. to be distributit v s. to Sanct Gelys wark, v s. to the reparatioun of the alter, and the vther v s. to be gevin to the finder.

28 *August* 1511.

The quhilk day in presens of the provest baillies and counsale Alexander Mauchane consentit forsamekle as the toun wes auisit to tak doun his land in the Buthraw that he is now bigand ane vther tua landis nixt on the west syde vpoun compitent prices, for the honour and commoun weill of the kirk and bigging thairof, thai payand to him thairfor siclike as for the said vther tua landis mark and mark like, nochtwithstanding the expenssis that he makis vpoun his said biging in the mene tyme. Villa, Buth Raw, Mauchane.

30 *September* 1511.

Forsamekle as Johnne Muncur [and] Johnne Mortoun wes delatit for the crewell slauchter of Jhonne Liddell, thairfor thai wer chairgit in oure Souerane Lordis name the prouest and baillies of this burgh at the mercat croce of the samyn that thai compeir vpoun Wednisday next tocum to vnderly the law for the airt and pairt of the said slauchter, with intimatioun that and thay compeir nocht thay will denunce thame and put thame to the horne as the Kingis rebellis and fugitiue fra the lawis. Hornyng.

Forsamekle as Jhonne Mortoun, Jhonne Mortoun his sone, and William Mortoun, wer chargit be oppin proclamatioun at the mercat croce of this burgh to haue comperit on Wednisday last bypast to haue vnderlyin the law for airt and pairt of the slauchter of Jhonne Liddell, with intimatioun that and thay comperit nocht the said day thay wald denunce thame the Kingis rebellis efter the tenour of the first proclamatioun and comperit nocht, thairfor thay wer denuncit the Kingis rebellis and putt thame to his horne as fugitiue fra his lawis, and all thair movable guddis to be the Kingis escheit. The foresaid personis denuncit.

8 *October* 1511.

The prouest ballies and counsale hes statute and ordanit that alwayis ane seriand or tua sall await and depend vpoun ane of the baillies for the execution of the statutis of the toun in the fische merket and vther places neidfull, quhen and as the cause occurris, sua that the baillies be nocht destitute in tyme of neid, vnder the pane to the seriand be quhome the falt standis of dipriuatioun at the will of the prouest baillies and counsale and consideratioun as thay think convenient. Statuta seriandis.

4 *January* 1511-12.

Railstoun querrell. [Ravelston quarry.] William Rynde, in the name and behalf of John Rynde, clerk, prebender of Railstoun, with consent and assent of the prouest baillies and counsale patronis of the samyn, hes lotat and sett the qwerrell of Railstoun till Robert Cvnyng-hame quariour for all the dayis of his lyfe, payand thairfor yeirlie thre pund to the said prebender, exceptand for the first yeir becaus he mon clenge the querrell, and yeirlie ane cowis gers, and the said Robert to convoy and reull the said qwerrell and craig sua that na reasonable caus of complaynt be had vnder the pane of tynsale of his tak and removing thairfra, keipand the corne and gers as he wes wont till do, and to furnys the kirk wark and the nychtbouris of the toun of the auld portes and the commoun warkis of the toun.

23 *July* 1512.

[Lawburrows.] xxiii Julii anno Domini J^{m} v^{c} xii^{o}. The quhilk day Dauid Layng is becum-myn souerte and lawborgh for Agnes his spous that Katerine Wardlaw salbe harmeles and skaithles of hir and all that scho may lett but fraude and gyle bot as law will vndir the payne of x lib. Extractum de libro actorum curie burgi de Edinburght per me Henricum Strathauchin notarium publicum communem scribam eiusdem ac deputatum magistri Ade Ottirburne communis clerici huiusmodi burgi sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. [Extracted from the act book of the Burgh court of Edinburgh, by me, Henry Strathauchin, notary-public, common writer thereof, and deputy of Master Adam Ottirburne, Common Clerk of the same burgh, under my sign and subscription manual.]

14 *October* 1512.

Pest. To reveill. It is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale, for to eschew be Goddis grace this contagious seiknes of pestilence laitlie rissin, that in tyme to cum quhair ony happinis to be seik within the towne and boundis thairof, bairnis or vtheris, that incontinent the principale persouns thairof man or woman or bayth reveles the samyn to the provest and baillies or to ony ane of thame incontinent, vnder the payne of banesing and byrning of the gudis and vther corporale payne that sall be thocht expedient.

Inclosit. And quhair that ony persoun happinis to be chairgeit to remayne in thair hous, that thai cum nocht furth but speciall licence of the said provest and baillies vnder the said payne.

Item, that na maner of persouns of infectit places owtwith the toune cum and enter within this towne vnder the payne of byrning, gif it be ane woman on the cheik, gif it be ane man of sic pvnitioun as sall be thocht expedient. [Strangers.]

And als that na maner of folkis hous harbery or ressett ony maner of persoun cummand furth of suspect places vnder the payne of sic paynis as sall be thocht expedient be the provest and baillies. Ressett.

Item, anent the multitude of beggares quhilk ar stark and may wirk, and now becaus the daynger of seiknes, that the Act of Parliament[1] be putt to executioun, and thairfore the provest baillies and counsale hes devysit that certane taikins be maid als mony as sall be thocht expedient, that is to say, als mony pure folks that ar impotent and aigeit ilk ane of thame to haif ane of the signes and taikins, and thai to remane within the towne allenarly, and that all vthers that ar of yowthheid and may wirk that other thai pas in seruice or pas furth of the towne, and nane to remane thairintill fra Fryday furth nixttocum vnder the payne of banesing thair persouns furth of the towne. Puir folks.

Item, it is statute and ordanit that na doggis nor swyne be haldin in this towne furth of band vnder payne of slawchter of thame. Doggis and swyne.

Alswa that the baillies pas and cheis in euery wynde or vinell twa, or ane at the leist, and that thai diligently serche and seik quhair ony persoun beis seik within thair bounds that thai cum and reveil the samyn incontinent to the baillies; and that all persouns dwelland within that close or vinell quhair that ony persoun bairn or vthers happins to be seik within thair hous that the man or woman principale of that hous ane or bayth reveill the samyn to the baillies. [Quartermasters.]

And now laitly it is concludet be the provest baillies counsale and communitie conformand to the statutes maid abefore, that all persouns dwelland within this burgh and bounds thairof that hes offendit agane the said statutes and brokin the samyn twicheing this contagious seikness of pestilence, that is for to say, that hes nocht reveillit the seikness that happinit into thair hous quhatsumeuir, that they be pvnist with birning and banesing and destructioun of thair gudis at the discretioun of the provest baillies and counsale. [Penalties.]

And in lykewyis that the persouns quhatsumeuir that hes repairit to the said seik personis or houssis infectit without speciall licence be pvnist siclyke.

[1] See the Acts of Parliament of King James I., 1424, c. 21; 1427, c. 4; of King James II., 1457, c. 17; of King James IV., 1503, c. 14. See also Act of Council, dated 3d January 1502-3.—*Antea*, p. 97.

[Penalties.] And that all persouns dwelland within this towne that hes passit furth of infect places after thai wer commandit be the officeris to remayne that thai be pvnist siclyke as abefore.

Indwellers of this towne. Item, that na maner of persoun of infect places dwelland owtwith this towne enter or repair thairintill without speciall licence of the provest and baillies vnder the paynis in the statutes maid abefore; and als that the nychtbouris indwellars of this towne nother ressett harbery heill nor conceill thame in thair houssis vnder the said paynis now laitlie concludet in the said statute abefore.

[Duties of quarter masters.] Item, that the quarter maisteris of euery close and vinell that ar chosin for till eschew this contagious seiknes of pestilence, that thai convene with the baillies euer ilk day, and thair to schaw quhat persouns ar seik in quhatsumeuir seiknes, and gif thai be negligent heirintill to pay ane vnlaw of xl s., or vther corporall pvnitioun that sall be devysit be the provest and baillies to be imputt to thame.

[Resset or removal of suspected goods.] Item, that na nychtbouris indwellares within this burgh tak vpoun hand to resaue or ressitt ony vthers suspect geir, or that ony pynouris tak vpoun hand to flitt or remouve the samyn to ony vther place without the officeris be wairnit thairto for that intent, vnder the paynis contenit and concludet in the statutes maid abefore.

[Cleanding.] Item, it is statute and ordanit anent the clengeing of this towne and infectit geir, sercheing and seiking of infect places, that the nychtbouris or quartermaisteris beand requirit thairto pas with the officeris to visey and se the samyn clengeit, vnder the payne of xl s. to be gevin to St. Geillis wark, or seik folks, or vther corporale pvnitioun quhilk sall be gevin and imputt to thame for thair demerits.

[Baillies convening.] Item, that the baillies convene euery day at ix or viij houris before none, and thre or four houris afternone, for the guid rewle of this towne to be had, and putting of the said falts to execution dewly as efforis.

Diuision of the towne. The toune devydit in thre pairts, In the first fra the east syde of Forresters Wynd on bayth the sydes of the streitt and vnder the wall to the Castell hill; that to be a pairt for Thomas Wardlaw. Item, fra the Tolbuith stair quhair Walter Young dwellis in the north pairt of the gaitt to the Loply stane; that to be ane vther pairt, and the said Walters pairt. Item, fra the Loply stayne

till Foresters Wynd in the sowth pairt of the gaitt with the pairt of the Cow-gaitt to be the third pairt for George Diksoun. Diuisioun of the towne.

1512.

The quhilk day the provest hes chairgit the baillies sittand in jugement to pas and tak sumekle of the guidis of the fornoreris of the mylnis and wild aventouris this last yeir, viz., James Johnestoun, William Halkerstoun and Alexander Gibsoun for the wild aventouris, the said James, Williame and Walter Young for the mylnis, and mak penny of thair said guidis for payment to the toun of the rest awand thairof. Villa Fornoreris.

17 *January* 1512-13.

JAMES be the grace of God king of Scottis to the provest and baillies of our burgh of Edinburgh greting: Wit ye that with the avys of our counsale for stancheing of the contagious plaige of pestilence now ringing in dyuers places within this our realm, and be Goddis grace to eschew sicklyk and apperand caus of the samyn in tyme cuming, safer as may be done with diligence of men, hes deuysit thir statutis and rewlis to be maid and keipit anent the samyn in tyme cuming as eftir followis: Oure will is heirfoir and we charge yow straitlie and commandis that ye mak the saidis statutis and rewlis be kepit within the boundis of your office, that is to say, that ye incontinent in our name and authoretie command and chairge be oppin proclamatioun at the mercat croce of our said burgh all and sindry our lieges and subiectis, and alsua strangearis of all vther nationis resorting within this realme, that nane of thame tak vpoun hand to bring within this oure realme, ilis, or ony pairt thairof, be sey or land, ony infectit guidis fra vther pairtis, bot that thay mak scharp tryall and diligence to eschew the samyn, vnder the pain of deid; and gif ony thair vnwitting happinis to bring ony infectit stuf negligentlie that thay incontinent revele the samyn to the provest eldermen baillies or officiaris of the place quhair thay arrive, and vse the command of the said officiaris thairin in eschewin the dainger thairof, vnder the pain of deid foirsaid; alssua that na infectit persoun or persouns man or woman our lieges or strangeris being infectit or cumin fra ony infectit places or persouns or intromitting with ony infectit persounis or gudis cum to kirk mercat priuelie or appertlie be day or nicht or intromet or convers with clene folkis vnder the pain of deid; alssua Anent the Pest.

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that na persoun nor persouns of quhatsumeuer estait or degrie close in thair houssis, or put to ony vther places be the provest eldermen baillies or officiaris of the burgh or land quhair thay ar, cum furth of thair houssis or places that thay ar or sal happin to be put to be nicht or day, bot that thay keip that waird and houssis committit to thame vnder the pain of deid; Attour all sic infectit persouns as God relevis thame of pestilence and givis thame heall that thay convers nocht nor hant nocht with haill folkis for the speice of xl dayis thairefter, without he haif ane quhyt vand in thair hand, or ane quhyt claith sewit vpoun thair brestis, in taikin of thair seiknes gif thay cum furth, that vther clane folkis may eschew thame, vnder the pain of deid forsaid; alssua that the houssis gif ony be now infectit or suspectit heirefter that thay haif nalit vpoun thair staris and durris in the maist vtvard and sichty place of thair said houssis ane quhyt claith, in taikin of thair infectioun, and that ye within your boundis se that the samyn be done as ye will ansuer to ws at your vtter perrell, and quha that beis fundin doing or attemping to do contrar the premissis statutis and ordinance maid be ws and our counsall for the weill of our realme and lieges be ony maner of way in tyme cuming efter the day and the dait heirof that ye within all your boundis mak thay suspectit persouns be on force put in sure fermance, and amang vtheris suspectit personis, thair to remane quhill thai be put to ane assys, and gyf thai be convict of ony of the said pointtis and articlis that ye put the samyn to executioun of deid; Attoure that ye caus clengeing to be maid delegentlie of all suspectit personis houssis and guidis, gyf ony be at this tyme, or happinis to be in tyme cuming within the boundis of your office, and tak deligent cure and mak scharp executioun heirin as ye will ansuer to ws thairvpoun, and vnder the pane of dittay to be takin of yow for youre necligence buddis or favoris to be pvnist with rigour and ye be fundin necligent or culpabill heirin; Attoure that ye caus all vile and suspect beistis, as doggis, swyn, and cattis, except thame that ar keipit in bandis, to be slane quhairewer thai may be apprehendit within your said boundis the tyme of pestilence, gyf ony happinis, the quhilkis salbe fre to be slane be all personis officiaris or vtheris that findis thame lous for the tyme, without ony amendis to be maid thairfoir to the pairtie; Attoure that ye in our name command and charge be oppin proclamatioun all our liegis within the boundis of your office to clenge rewes, windis, closis, and guttaris, bayth on baksyd and foresyd, ilk ane of thame for thair avin pairt, within foure dayis nixt efter your charge, vnder

the pane of ane vnlaw of fyve merkis, and to be takin vp and appliit to yow and officiaris of our said burgh for the clengeing of the samyn, and that na personis lay middingis at portis or entres of oure said burgh vnder the said pane, and als that all our liegis cum and vse merchandice and bring to oure mercat all necessaris for merket and court, and that everie man answer for his seruandis twiching the observatioun of all thair statutis, vnder the samyn panis; and that ye suffer na beggaris to remane within our said burgh bot thai that has ane takin gevin be yow to thame, and thai to be impotent aged or blind folkis, that ar nocht abill to wyn thair leving within the realme vtherwayis, as ye will ansuer to ws thairvpoun. The quhilk to do we commit to yow coniunctle and seueralle oure full power be thir our lettres. Gevin vnder our signet at Edinburgh the xvij day of Januar, and of our regnne the xxv yeir. Anent the Pest.

De speciali mandato S. D. N. Regis literatorie per suam subscriptionem manualem, etc. Et principalis litera est posita in domo thesaurari villa in custodia. [By the special command in writing of our Sovereign Lord the King by his sign manual: And the principal letter is put in keeping in the house of the treasurer of the town.] (This lettre contenit in the said buik—ane gild buik.—*Tr.*)

15 *June* 1513.

Item, it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsale of this town, till eschew the contagious seikness of pestilence laitlie rissin in the Dene, that na maner of persoun man nor woman dwelland thairintill enter or repair within this towne, vnder the payne, of birning gif it be a woman on the cheik, and gif it be a man of sic pvnitioun as sall be thocht expedient. Item, that na maner of persoun of vther infectit places dwelland outwith this towne enter or repair thairintill without speciall licence of the provest and baillies, vnder the paynis contenit in the statutes maid abefore; and als that the nichtboures and indwellares of this towne nather ressaitt harbery hele or conceill thame in thair houssis vnder the said payne. [Pest. Dene and other suspect places.]

19 *August* 1513.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsale and communitie, for the commoun weill and proffeit of the toun, and guid reull thairintill to be had efter thair passage to the Kingis armye, and for that intent thai haue lymyt chosin Flowdoun.

Flowdoun. and left behind thame George of Towris, president, for the prouest, Robert Brus, William Lokkart, William Adamesoun and William Clerk, for the baillies, till haue full jurisdictioun in thair absence til do justice, mak statutis neidfull for the commoun weill, and punis trespassouris as they think convenient for the quantitie of the trespas; and at ilk nycht thai cheis and gar mak ane sufficient wache for the keiping of the toun be the personis that happenis to remane at hame, the quarter of thame ilk nycht; and quhat persone hapinis till disobey till pas vpoun the said wache ilk ferd nycht that thai be put in presone thair till remane quhill the provestis hame cumming.

25 *August* 1513.

Fruit selling. It is statute and ordanit for the commoun proffeit that na fruit seller be fundyn opinlie selland frute or vthir stufe at the mercat croce nor vther places outwith thair awin houssis efter ix houris at evin, vnder the pane of escheit of thair frute and punisching of thair personis.

Vagand personis. Item, it is statutt and ordanitt, for the commoun weill and proffeitt of the inhabitaris and nychtbouris of this toun, that na vagand persoun be fundin on the gaitt after ix° houris at ewin bot gif it be for ane lawfull caus, and that with candill licht, and that the personis havand sic lawfull caus pas with licht as said is and schaw thame to the wache present for the tyme that thai may convene thair; and quhat persoun beis apprehendit be the wache doand in the contrair that the wache tak thame and put thame in firmance quhill on the morn, and than be punist be the saidis personis haivand the provest and baillies facultie thairto as mycht mak acts, according to thair demeritts; and that all maner of personis pas to our Souerane Lordis army vnder the panys contenit in the proclamatioun maid thairvpoun of befoir.

26 *August* 1513.

Watche. It is statute and ordanit be the personis aboue written, presidentis, for the prouest baillies and counsall, for the commoun weill, that all personis that remanis at hame fra our Souerane Lordis armye that thai compeir in thair quarter place of the toun the tyme of the calling of the wache for the Kingis honour and keiping of the toun and commoun proffeit thairof, that thair names may be put in writt in the wache buke, that other thai may be found heir thairintill or in the wache buke with thair provest, vnder the panys contenit in our Souerane Lordis proclamatioun maid abefoir vpoun the foirganging of his armye.

29 *August* 1513.

It is statute and ordanit, for the commoun proffeit and weill of this toun, and all vthers our Souerane [Lordis] liegis, for the eschewing be the supplie grace and help of Almichte God the dainger of that contagious seikness of pestilence, that in tyme to cum for the space of xv dayis that all merchandis that hes merchand buithis hald thame clositt, and contract na maner of merchandice byand or selland, and speciale of woll hyd claith skynnis bot alanerlie the stuf of meit and drink, and that alway thai hald thair wyndois steikit and clositt, and thair durris nocht be opinit bot for ane ressonable caus, vnder the panys as salbe thocht to the wisdome of the toun convenit thairfore. Statute for Pestilence.

5 *September* 1513.

We charge straitlie and commandis in our Souerane Lord the Kingis name that all maner of personis that ar cummyng fra his army that thai address thame and returne agane thairto, and that all nychtbouris of this toun fensabill personis that thai siclyke pas in thair best aray bodin for weir till our said Souerane Lordis army, and present thame to the prouest of this toun, vnder the panys contenit in our Souerane Lordis lettres direct vpoun the foirganging of his army, viz. tynsal of lyfe land and guid, certifeand that the names of all sic fensabill personis habill for weir remanend at hame fra the said army salbe put in writt that thai may be responsabill to our Souerane Lordis returning be Goddis grace hame agane. Floddoun.

10 *September* 1513.

We do yow to witt, Forsamekill as thair is ane greit rumour now laitlie rysin within this toun tuiching our Souerane Lord and his army,[1] of the quhilk we understand thair is cumin na veritie as yit, thairfore we charge straitlie and commandis in our said Souerane Lord the Kingis name, and the presidentis for the provest and baillies within this burgh, that all maner of personis nychtbouris within the samyn haue reddye thair fensabill geir and wapponis for weir, and compeir thairwith to the said presidentis at jowyng of the commoun bell, for the keiping and defens of the toun aganis thame that wald invaid the samyn. Proclamatio.

And als chairgis that all wemen, and specialie vagaboundis, that thai pas to thair labouris and be nocht sene vpoun the gait clamorand and cryand, vnder

[1] The King, with the flower of his army, had fallen on the disastrous field of Flodden on the evening of the previous day.

Proclamatio. the pane of banesing of the personis but fauouris, and that the vther wemen of gude pas to the kirk and pray quhane tyme requiris for our Souerane Lord and his armye and nychtbouris being thairat, and hald thame at thair previe labouris of the gait within thair houssis as efferis.

13 *September* 1513.

Distrublance. Dauid Broun is be the sensyment of the presidents, for the provest baillies and counsale, banist this towne indurand thair will for the distrublance done thairintill be him till ane Scottisman twicheing the clame of ane sweird, and for the breking of the proclamatioun for pece and the statutes of the towne. (In the convict buik begynning in Julij 1505.—*Tr.*)

Blude. The said day Jhone Thomesoun is in lykewyse for his comtemptioun and breking of the said proclamatioun and statutis in distrublance and drawing of blude of Sande Willesoun cordiner is convict, and thairfore he wes denuncit to be had to the trone and thair strikkin throw the hand and banist the towne induring thair willis. (*Ibidem.—Tr.*)

30 *September* 1513.

Ane priest maid burges. Archibald Dowglas erle of Anguis, Provest.—

Magister Gavinus Dowglas prepositus ecclesie collegiate Beati Egidij hujusmodi burgi effectus est burgenssis pro cummuni bono ville gratis.

[Master Gavin Douglas, provost of the collegiate church of St Giles of this Burgh, is made burgess, gratis, for the common benefit of the town.]

4 *October* 1513.

Swyne. The baillies and counsale hes ordanit that na swyne within this towne be haldin bot into band, or ellis devoyde thame furth of the towne, betuix this and Sonday nixttocum, vnder the payne of banesing of the awneris and slawchter of the swyne quhaireuir thai may be fundin within this toun, after the effect of the awld statutes maid thairvpoun.

Fruit crames. Item, that na fruitt be sawld commonlie on the hie streitts, nor yitt that na cramys be haldin thairvpoun vnder the payne of escheitt.

4 *December* 1513.

Statute Watching. Wedois. It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale for the commoun weill of this guid toun that the watche sall be nychtlie had of xxiiij

personis sufficient, and thairfor that all personis nychtbouris of this toun sall furnis the samyn on thair expenssis, baith wedowis and vtheris, and ilk ane of thame that disobeyis sall pay twa s. for ane vnlaw vnforgevin, and to be poyndit thairfore als oft as the case hapinis, and that thai that hes disobeyit in tyme bygane pay for ilk tyme viij d. failyeand thairof thai to be poyndit for ij s. ilk tyme. Watching.

6 *December* 1513.

[In an Act of Council, dated 1st February 1586, which prescribes certain constitutions for the cordiners, reference is made to a Seal of Cause having been granted to them by the Magistrates and Council, of the above date, in which they "limitt and ordanet certane persouns maisters and oversmen of the said craft, sworne in thair presence, quha suld euery market day diligentlie serche, visie and sie all maid wark and barket ledder cummand and presentet in the market, and it that they find sufficient till mark it; and quhair they find fals feyngyeit wark or barket ledder, the sercheris till bring it to the provest and baillies for the tyme, and at the will of thame to escheit the stufe faltive, and the persouns to pvneis as effeires, sua that the King's lieges be nocht dissavit: and that na sic stufe be sauld on the market-day quhill the sercheris have visit the samyn. Nor yit that nane be stoikkin up to sell quhill seven houris at somer and nine houris in wynter before none, vnder the payne of escheit and pvnesing the persouns as said is. And that na outlands folk dwelland without this burgh, nor unfreemen by any rwch hydes nor barkit ledder within this toun bot on the market-day allenarlie, vnder the payne above written. And attour, for certane resonabill causis moving thair predecessours, bayth for honestie of the said burgh and profit of the said stufe, maid wark and others perteining to the said craft, they locat, limitt, and ordanet the market place for selling of thair wark and vther stufe foresaid in the market day in the Kowgaitt, fra the new well to the Grayfreris allenarly, as at lenth is containet in the said letter," or Seal of Cause.] Seal of Cause to Cordiners.

27 *January* 1513-14.

The provest bailies and counsall consentis and grantis oblissand thame and thair successouris till thair louittis Maister Adame Otterburne, Ihone of Craik, Williame Thomesoun, and Thomas Steill, forsamekle as thai haue tane vpoun hand for to deliuer to Unicorne Herald the sowme of ten li. gs. for his waigis and passage in the pairtis of Flanderis for the commoun weill of mer- [Expenses to Flanders.]

[Expenses to Flanders.] chandice, that heirfor the saidis personis sall haue full power till tak and ressaue of everye sek of guidis reparand this nixt wayage within the Dukis landis xviij gs., and of all vther guidis efferand thairto, and gif thai get na payment thairof the toun sall pay thame heir at hame ten no^{t} for the li. gs., thai deliuerand the names of thame that thai get na payment of, and the saidis personis to haue twa li. gs. for their labouris, and of the excrescens gif thai happin ony to gett aboue the xij li. gs. in the haill, thai to mak reknyng thairof to the toun, with intimatioun to thame that hes the saidis guidis and thai will nocht pay the said xviij g. thai sall pay heir at hame for ilk xij gs. v s. scottis.

17 *March* 1513-14.

Extent for walling of the toun. The president baillies counsall and communite hes grantit and consentit that ane extent be gatherit of the haill communitie extending to the sowme of v^{c} li., with the dettis awand to the toun for the furnesing and defens of the samyn, efter the forme and effect of our Souerane Lordis writingis direct for that intent.

24 *May* 1514.

Extent. Ville. Alexander dominus Home, magnus camerarius Scotie, prepositus.

[Alexander Lord Home, Great Chamberlain of Scotland, provost.]

My lord principale provest hes interponit his ordinar jurisdictioun and authoritie, chargeand his president and baillies that thai incontinent ingather the extent maid vpoun the nychtbouris of the toun for the strenthing of the saymn, and furnesing of artailyerie for the resisting of the auld innemeis of Ingland, and that thai be nocht disobeyit be nane of the persones wedowis nor vtheris that are taxt in the said extent, and euerie wedow sustene sum, and sum twa or ma conforme to thair substance, for the defence of the said toun, and that ilk person haifand heidyaird dykes that thai big vp the samyn within xv dayis, vnder the payne till euerye ane of thame v li. to the kirk werk.

28 *July* 1514.

Mylnis Baxteris. The president baillies and counsall hes statute yitt as of befoir for the reull to be had in the commoun mylnis betuix the maisteris of the baxter craft within this burgh, viz., that in tyme of scant watter ilk nychtbour thairof sall haue facultie and priuelege to grynd four laid of quheit in his dew place, and viii laid to be brokin in his roume as accordis, and sa ilk nychtbour efter vther

to be servit, and quhane ony persoun cumis nocht till keip his roume it sall be lesome to the persoun that sould be nixt to occupy that place for that tyme, and sa his followare to have the dew cours; and quhat persoun of the said craft that beis apprehendit brekand the said statute sall be xx s., xv s. to the kirk werk, and v s. to thair awin altar, and Alexander Gray serchour heirof to be recompansit for his laubouris, and the burges of the toun and multur quheit till haue thair priuelege as thai war wount till haue. Mylnis Baxteris.

29 *July* 1514.

In presens of my lord chammerlane, principall provest, baillies and counsall of Edinburgh, it was proponit and allegeit agains Walter Ker induellar in Leyth that he had brokin the priuiliegis of the burgh and toun of Edinburgh grantit to thame be diuers Kingis of guid memorie vnder thair greit selis, specialie now of lait in the bying of certane schippis and guidis takyne and brocht be Frenchmen within thair watter port and havin of Leith, nocht sufferand the samyn to be sauld to the fre merchandis and burgessis within this burgh according to the lawis of the realme and priuilege grantit to the said burgh as said is. The bying of the saidis guidis the said Walter grantit and put him in the townis will thairfore, and as than thai wald nocht gif extreme sentence thairvpoun in the escheiting of the haill guidis, bot ordanit that the saidis guidis or the availl thairof sall be furthcumand to the commoun proffit of the toun efter the forme of thair infeftmentis and priuilegis forsaidis at my said lord principall provestis will, and thairfoir Patrik Barroun, bailye, is becumin souertie, and the said Walter is oblist to keip him skaythles, and als the said Walter hes oblist him that he sall nocht hourt the tounis priuilege in siclyke caissis in tyme to cum. Gudis escheit be men of Leith bocht.

21 *August* 1514.

In presens of the baillies president counsale and communitie, thir persons, conburgessis vnderwritten, hes grantit and consentit till len and diliuer thir sowmes followand, intitillit vpoun thame for the expenssis to be maid vpoun the doun getting of the custome of France, xij deniers of the frank in all guidlie haist, and the personis foirsaid for this burgh of Edinburgh, Ihone Foulertoun commissar for the burgh of Air, Duncane Patersoun and Robert Arnot commissaris for Streveling, hes oblist thame and thair commissioneris till pay the Anent the doungetting of the custome in France.

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said soumes agane to the saidis personis, ilk ane thair awin seuerale pairt, at Fastronisevin nixttocum, and thairvpoun to be bundin vnder thair commoun selis in dew forme for the said repayment to be maid as said is; and als thai to be considerit for thair beneuolence into the taxt and extent to be gatherit for the said repayment.

Thir ar the personis followand that promittit, viz.:—

Dauid Maivill, president	v^{c} frankis.
William Carmichaell	v^{c} frankis.
Ihone Irland	v^{c} frankis.
Alane Lawder	v^{c} frankis.
Edward Litill and Ihone Marioribankis	v^{c} frankis.
Andro Iddard	ij^{c} frankis.
Ihone Adamesoun	ij^{c} frankis.
Alexander Mauchane	j^{c} frankis.
Michaell Makquhen	j^{c} l frankis.
Williame Forsythe	j^{c} l frankis.
Ihone Brus	j^{c} frankis.
Williame Mak	j^{c} frankis.
Maister Adame Otterburne, Francis Towris, baillie,	ij^{c} l frankis.
Williame Adamesoun,	l frankis.

2 *October* 1514.

Pro Henrico Bardum.

Secundo die Octobris anno Domini j^{m} v^{c} xiiii^{o} hora xi ante merediem. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter constituti discreti et honesti viri Henricus Bardum burgensis de Grippiswald infra regnum Dacie, ex vna, et Alexander Meldrum burgensis burgi de Edinburgh partibus ab altera, in presencia honorabilis viri Patricii Baron vnus balliuorum dicti burgi de Edinburgh. Quiquidem Alexander ad hoc interrogatus per dictum Henricum affirmauit se fidemedia emisse a prefato Henrico centum et sexaginta bollas saliginis et quamlibet bolla pro precio et summa nouem solidorum vsualis monete regni Scocie. Super quibus etc. predictus Henricus Bardum petiit instrumentum. Acta erant hec in botha Henrici Strathauchin notarii publici. Testibus Thoma Bard, Roberto Glen, Petro Roberton, et Thoma Arnot.

[On the second day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fourteen, in the eleventh hour before noon,—In the presence of me, notary public, and the witnesses subscribing, appeared personally discreet and honest men, Henry Bardum, burgess of Grippiswald, within the Kingdom of Denmark, on the one part, and Alexander Meldrum, burgess of the burgh of Edinburgh, on the other part, in presence of an honourable man, Patrick Baroun, one of the bailies of the said burgh of Edinburgh. Which Alexander being interrogated thereanent by the said Henry, asserted solemnly that he had bought in good faith from the said Henry a hundred and sixty bolls of salt, and each boll for the price and sum of nine shillings of the usual money of Scotland. Upon which etc. the foresaid Henry Bardum asked instruments. These things were done in the booth of Henry Strathauchin, notary public. Witnesses, Thomas Bard, Robert Glen, Peter Robertson, and Thomas Arnot.] Pro Henrico Bardum.

4 *October* 1514.

The quhilk day it is thocht expedient statute and ordainit be the provest baillies and counsale for eschewing of this contagious seiknes of pestilence be Goddis grace that the towne sall be diuidit in four quarteris to be assignit to four baillis with thair quarter maisteris as after followes: Diuisioun of the toun.

Item, frae the Castelhill to Alexander Cant's close to be ane quarter, quhilk is assignit to James of Jhonestoun baillie, with his seriand Jhone Broun, and his quarter maisteris, viz. Andro Moncur, Alexander Der, Jhone Fischear, William Rind, Jhone Adamesoun eldare, and Alexander Mure.

Item, fra Alexander Cant's close to Leyth Wynd that to be the secund quarter, quhilk is assignit to Jhone Ireland baillie, with his seriand William Patersoun, and his quarter masteris, viz. Edward Littill, William Lokart, Harbart Wardlaw, Jhone of Kirkpatrick, Jhone of Levingtoun, and Henry Lowremere.

Item, frae the Lopelie stayne with the Cowgaitt till Lord Borthuiks close to be the thrid quarter, quhilk is assignit till Patrick Barroun baillie, with his seriand Thomas Arnott, and his quarter maisteris Thomas Fowlare, Jhonne of Lethen, Robert Glen, William Lawder, Jhone Diksoun, Thomas Baird, and Jhone Stewart.

Item, fra Borthuiks close to the Castelhill with under the wall to be the feird quarter, quhilk is assignit till William Clerk baillie, with his seriand

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Dauid Purves, and his quarter masteris Jhone of Mariorbankis, Allane Mosman, William Mele, Thomas Smyth, James Layng, Jhone Martyne. Patrik Flemyng, and James Stury.

Towne closing about.

It is thocht expedient be the president baillies and counsale, for eschewing the daynger of this contagious seiknes and vthers inconvenientis that may fall, that the towne be fermly closit about swa at thair be na entres bot at the ports of the samyn, and thair is certane lands on the south syde of the said towne vnder the wall, that is to say, in the first, ane land betuix Jhone Wilschot and Jhone Williamsonis wyst, ane waist land betuix the laird of Ricardoun and Thom Beyse, ane land of Jhone Crawfurds, ane land of James Falcownis, a waist land of Robert Napers, ane land of Sande Wilkysouns, ane waist land of Sandy Chalmers, ane waist land of Stevin Taillieferis, ane vther land of Stevin Taillieferis, ane waist of William Rynds, ane waist of Jhone Liddellis, ane vther land of the samyn, a waist land of William Toddis: The quhilk lands ar opin and vnclosit throw the quhilks thair is oppin passage in greitt daynger to the towne and nychtbouris thairof; that thairfore the saidis president baillies and counsale wairnis and charges all and sindry the possessors and awneris of the said oppin landis, that is to say, the relict of vmquhill Jhone Williamsoun, Jhone Wilschot, etc. (*vt supra*) thet thai and ilk ane of thame big vp thair heid dykis of thair said waist lands weill and competently of heicht and thiknes as efferis within viij dayes heirafter, with certificatioun gif thai will nocht big thair said heid dykes of the said waist lands sufficientlie as said is within the said time, the said president baillies and counsale will mak the saidis lands sufficiently closit apoun the expenssis of the awnares thairof, and appryse all the stufe apoun the grund for the payment of the samyn.

Barrels or pypes on the gaitt.

It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale that all persouns haveand ony pik or tar barrellis or ony pypis lyand apoun the hiegaitt, that thai be devoydit and tane away on Setterday at evin nixttocum vnder the payne of viij s. vnforgevin, and gif thai failyie thairin all the guidis to be escheitt that beis fundin vpoun the gaitt thairafter.

6 *October* 1514.

Clengeing the gaitt.

The quhilk day in presens of the president baillies and counsale the kirk maister of the flescheouris and the laif of the maisteris of the said craft hes

consentit to the act maid of befoir anent the dichting of the gaitt, That is to say of ilk stok on the hie gaitt iiii d. in the quarter swa, that the dichteris of the gaitt cum at the quarteris and ask thair four pennies.[1] Clengeing the gaitt.

7 *October* 1514.

The president and counsale decernis and ordanis Thomas Patersoun for the disobeying of Jhone Ireland baillie to cum to the merkatt croce on Mononday nixt to cum in his lynning clais and thair to ask God mercy for the breking of his ayth, and als to ask the president and the said Jhone Ireland baillie forgifenes in the name of the haill towne for his said falt committat; and this to be done betuix ix houris and x vnder the payne of banesing of the toun. Disobedience.

14 *October* 1514.

The president baillies and counsale decernis the thesaurer to pas in the townis behalf and big vp the said heid dykes[2] of thair waist lands aboue written, becaus thai wer wairnit of before be oppin proclamatioun at the mercat croce to mak thame sufficiently conformand to nychtbourheid within a time past, and na thing done thairto, thairfore the said thesaurer gar big vp the samyn sufficiently after the forme of the said act, and the stufe of the grund be apprysit for payment of the samyn als far as it extends, and to fall to the said wark apoun Mononday nixttocum as he will ansuer to the King and the towne. Toune closing about.

23 *October* 1514.

Forswamekill as Thomas Patersoun was decernit be the president baillies and counsale till haif cumin to the merket croce of this burgh at certane hour bypast in his lynning clais till haif askit the toune forgifenes for his contemptioun and disobeysance done to Jhone Ireland baillie vnder the payne of banesing the towne and fredome thairof, and failit thairintill, that thairfore the said president baillies and counsale bannesyes the said Thomas this burgh and boundis of the saymn induring the will of the provest president baillies and counsale, and nocht to cum thairin vnder the payne of strekking throw the hand and banesing of the towne and bounds thairof for euir, and to devoyd betuix Disobedience.

[1] See Act dated 4 July 1505.—*Antea* p. 105.

[2] The heid dykes referred to in the Act of 4 October 1514.

Disobedience. this and the morn vnder the said payne. Thir wer the persouns that ordanit the samyn, the president, William Clark, Jhone Ireland, Patrik Baroun, baillies, Walter Chepman, Johne Adamesoun, William Adamsoun, Frances Touris, Mr Alexander Borthuik, Thomas Fowlare, Patrik Flemyng, William Lokart, William Currour, Jhone Levingtoun, Jhone Marche, Jhone Bruse, Bartilmo Wardlaw, and Hercules Stobo.

24 *October* 1514.

Ane quit for slauchter in his awin defence maid. Alexander Levington indyctit and accusit for the art and pairt of the crewall slauchter of vmquhill Walter Jak vpoun the Borrowmuir of this burgh of Edinburgh in this last month of September bypast, the quhilk accusatioun wes put to the knawlege of ane assys aboue writtin, thai beand removit furth of court and agane in enterit thai fand and deliuerit the said Alexander quitt and innocent of the said slauchter, becaus thai cleirlie knew it wes in his pure defence. Jhone Levingtoun petiit instrumentis. Testibus Patricio Barroun et Johanne Irland balliuis, magistro Jacobo Wischert de Pitgarro clericus Justiciarie S. D. N. Regis, Waltero Chepman decano gilde, Johanne Adamesoun juniare, Jacobo Barroun, Patricio Flemyng, et multis aliis.

26 *October* 1514.

Fleschoures vnfrie. The quhilk day, in presens of the president baillies and counsall comperit the kirk maister and the laiff of the maisters of the flescheoures fremen and burgessis within this burgh, and thair of thair awin beneuolent will, at the avyse of the said president baillies and counsale, thai haif consentit and grantit that the vnfremen flescheoures sell thair stufe of flesche beif and mwttoun and vtheris siclyk stufe pertenand to thair faculty vpoun the Sonday and Mononday as commoun frie merkat dayis to thame, and in lykwyis all vtheris fre merkitt tymes sic as proclaimit fairis, to haif na vse of selling of sic stufe flesche nor siclyke bot on the said merket dayes and vther priuilegeit tymes, vnder the paynis contenit in the facultie of the towne grantit to the maisters of the said craft of before.

27 *October* 1514.

Ansuer to the Secretare anent the custome of his guidis. It was ansuerit to my Lord Secretare vpoun the bak of his bill send to the provest baillies and counsall anent the discharge of small customes of his guidis *vt sequitur*: The president baillies and counsall vnderstanding that my

Lord Secretar hes bene alwayis thankfull to the toun and thair materis in all thing belangand his office, and desyris to schaw thair thankis to him agane in ony thingis he hes ado belangand thame, and ar content that thair small custome and dewiteis of his guddis schippit and to be schippit at this tyme be remittit and remittis the samyn, and siclyke in tyme cumming quhill thai be forther avysit. Ansuer to the Secretare anent the custome of his guidis.

6 *November* 1514.

We do yow to witt straitly chairges and commandis in our Souerane Lord the Kingis name the provest baillies and counsall within this burgh that ony maner of persoun man or woman tak vpoun hand fra this hour furth to cum in and pas furth bot at the commoun ports thairof vnder the payne of royall punitioun of thair persoun and banesing of this towne. Entring bot at the ports.

(The candilmakers breking the statutes in selling deir candill convict and ordanit in amerciament of court.—*Tr.*) Satutes breking. (Candilmakers.)

(Siclyk the staiblers for selling deir corn and hay adjudgeit in amerciament of court at thai mycht tyne, of law and that was gevin for dome.—*Tr.*) (Staiblers.)

21 *December* 1514.

My lord principale prouest president baillies and counsall ordanis the officeris to warn and charge all men of Leyth that tappis or sellis wyne or vther merchand stuf within the said toun of Leyth, in hourting of the privilege of this toun of Edinburgh, to compeir befoir thame on Friday nixttocum to ansuer to the saidis lordis provest baillies and counsall quhat thai haue to say to thame in the saidis materis. Anent wyne selling in Leyth.

28 *December* 1514.

The principall provest baillies and counsall hes decernit the xxx elnis of feyting sauld be Guilliame de la Mayne to be the townis escheit becaus he enterit nocht the sam in the townis buikis, and als thre ellis veluot sauld to Walter Ker vnfreman and nocht to the fremen of this toun, and in lykwayis decernit the last of hydis sauld be the said Walter Ker to the said Frenchman to be the townis escheit becaus thai war sauld outwith this toun be ane vnfreman till ane vther vnfreman. Escheit guidis.

Committ in will of the toun for bying of vittuall.

The samyn day, forsamekle as Walter Ker grantit of before the xxx day of July last bypast that he had boucht certane victuallis extending to vij^{xx} bollis malt and vther guidis fra Frenchmen within thair boundis and port of Leyth, vsurpand the fredome and privilege of this burgh contrare hes promit maid in the said act of befoir, submittit him to my lord provestis will for the samyn, and now the said lord hes declarit his will thairintill, with the avys of the president baillies and counsall, that the said Walter sall content and pay to the kirk werk bot x li. at this tyme, with the intimatioun that gif he faltis ony maner of way aganes the priuilege of the said burgh in tyme tocum that the haill thing salbe tane of him but fauouris, and souertie to be found thairvpoun as efferit; and heirfore Dauid Ferry is becumyn souertie; and Patrik Barroun promittis till releif the said Dauid and keip him skaythles of the said souertie as effeiris.

28 *February* 1514-15.

Gathering of extent.

The president baillies and counsall ordanis the baillies that considering the president hes tane vpoun him to get in the greit extent of certane personis that wes hieast extentit sic as wemen of guid and vtheris, and has done the samyn, that thairfore the said baillies gadder in the laif of the extent that is awand yit thair extent within xij dayis, and do all exact diligence thairfore according to thair office, with intimatioun that gif thai do nocht the toun will decerne thame to pay the samyn of thair awin purs.

22 *March* 1514-15.

Escheitt.

The president baillies and counsall with ane pairt of communitie of the toun hes decernit and ordanit xx li. to be tane to be imployit to the townis commoun workis of the escheit of Guilliame de la Mayne, Frenchman, extending in the heill to xlviij li., and alswa the president baillies and counsall supersedis the laif of the said escheit vpoun the said xx li. vpoun the said Guilliamis guid bering.

26 *March* 1515.

Villa. Woll.

The quhilk day, the president baillies and counsall fyndis and deliueris that James Maccalzeane hes failyeit aganis the commoun proffeit of this toun in bying of Lord Borthuikis woll efter it wes deuysit and concludit be the wisdomes of the toun that the samyn sould be bocht for the commoun proffitt thairof, to the eschewing of inconvenientis in tyme tocum, and that iugement follow

thairvpoun siclyke as it wes be the bying thairof be Guilliame de la Mayne, and thairfore ordanis the said woll to be sauld for the maist availl, and the proffit and excrescence thairof that cummis aboue the soumes that the said lord sould haue thairfore to be applyit to the commoun werks and walling of the toun. Villa. Woll.

20 *June* 1515.

The president baillies counsall and communitie fyndis and decernis forsamekill as it wes decretitt abefoir that James Maccalzeane failyeit aganis the commoun proffit of the toun and command thairof in bying of my Lord Borthuikis woll, and that thairfore the said woll was ordanit to haue bene sauld to the maist availl as at mair lenth is contenit in the said decreit, and attour it wes ordanit that the said James of his awin grant sould haue deliuerit the key to the officeris of the toun of the loft quhair the said woll was laid into within the toun of Edinburgh that the excrescence thairof aboue the principall soume mycht cum to the commoun proffitt of this toun, and now becaus it is vnderstand be the towne that the said James hes disponit vpoun the said woll contrare to the decreit and command of the toun, that thairfore the said president baillies and counsall and communitie decernis and ordainis the said James to pay to the commoun werkis of the toun for the commoun weill thairof the soume of ane hundreth and twentye markis for the excrescent of the said woll, becaus thair was samekill profferit in judgement for the said excrescence be dyuers nychtbouris in judgement. Villa. Woll.

11 *August* 1515.

The president baillies and counsall fyndis decernis and deliueris that Hanckyne Thomesoun hes tynt and brokyn his fredome, and ordanis the samyn to be tane fra him and his burgesry becaus he hes hourtit his aith aganis the fredome of this toun in intrometting with strangearis and conversand with thame baith in bying and selling small and greit contrare the statutis of the toun; and attour thai straitlie commandis and chairgis the said Hannikyne that he haif na mair intrometting with the said strangearis and vnfremen nowther in bying nor selling in tyme tocum vnder the pane of banesing of the toun bot gif it be for fremen of the toun. Depryving of ane burges.

14 *August* 1515.

Assys for hourting of the priuilegis.

The president baillies and counsall commandis and chairgis that Jhone Depetit, Hannestane Warper and his marrow sell na maner of guidis nor yit till hald thair loft and buith oppin on the day lycht quhill Fryday at next cummis, vnder the pane of escheit of thair guidis; and ordanis thame to compeir befoir thame the said day till vnderly the law and ane assys for thair hourting of the prevelege of this toun; and als that Hannekyne and his marrow till vnderly the law for the violence done to nychtbouris that bocht thair prenneis, and thair in presens foirsaid the said Flemyng is alledgit and sayit that the bill gevin vpoun thame was nocht of veritie.

Protestatio ville.

Thomas Fouler in presens of the president baillies and counsall protestit that considdering the Flemynis and strangearis occupyit the fredome of the toun aganis the commoun weill of the samyn that the statutis maid thairvpoun mycht be put to executioun as effeiris.

4 *September* 1515.

[Justice Courts held by town.]

(Art and pairt of steilling and conceilling of kye, birning of a hous, commoun theft, commoun owtputting and inbringing in reasonable maner betuix Scotland and Ingland (hec conuicta) ar pvnist be deid.—*Tr.*)

12 *September* 1515.

(Stouthreif, invasioun be way of murthure, airt and pairt for breking houssis and brekin of the kings presoun, commoun theft, ar pvnist to deid. Thir courts haldin as justice courts be the towne.—*Tr.*)

Blude.

James Wardlaw, smyth, convict be ane assyse for the cruell hurting of Robert Roger in the heid and drawin of his bluid within my Lord Gouernouris chalmer and palace of pece, for the quhilk caus he was adiugeit to be had to the trone and thair strikkin throw the hand and banist this towne for all the dayis of his lyfe, and nocht to cum thairintill vnder the payne of deid.

5 *October* 1515.

Meill.

It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale, for the vniuersale weill of this guid towne and of the nychtbouris resortand and repairand thairto, that thir persouns vnderwritten, viz., Margaret Bischop, Willesouns wyfe,

the cordiner Bairnisfather's wyfe, Jhone Merschell, Johne Wyli's wyfe, Frissale's dochter, Henry Young's wyfe, Thomesoun's wyfe, Cristiane Calderwod, Alisone Young nor nane vtheris nychtboures within this burgh tak vpoun hand to bye ony maner of meill to sell or regraitt agane quhill the hour of thre efternone be strikken, vnder the pane of escheting of the stufe that thai bye before the said iij houris, and failyeing of the said meill gif it beis priuatly had away that sic pvnition mycht be imputt to thair personis to the rigour as sall be sene expedient be the president and baillies. Meill.

Item, that na straynger or owtdwellare bringand meill to the mercat to sell mak ony mercate thairof quhill the hour of xj before none be strikkin, vnder the payne of escheting of the samyn, and to be delt to the pure folkis, but favouris.

It is devysit statute and ordanit be the saidis president baillies and counsale that thair be bot thre ports oppin daylie, viz. the West port, the Netherbow and the Kirk of Field and na ma. And ilk port to haif twa porteris daylie quhill my Lord Gouernouris hame coming.[1] And at thir porteris suffer na maner of persoun on hors nor fute to enter within this towne without the president or ane of the bailies knaw of thair cuming and gif thame licence. And the saidis personis be convoyit to thair lugeings be ane of the saidis porteris, swa that gif ony inconvenient happinis that thair hoste mycht ansuer for thame as efferis. Ports Strayngeris.

It is statute and ordanit that ane quarter of the towne watche ilk nicht, ilk man for thair awin heid, with a baillie, quhill my Lord Gouernouris hamecuming, and that all the nychtbouris of the towne be reddy boddin for weir in thair best array at a jow of the commoun bell for the defence of the towne, to pas with the president and baillies quhair the case occurris. Watche.

16 *October* 1515.

Quo die Dominus Patricius Hammyltoun de Kincavill miles electus est prepositus pro anno futuro, Jacobus Barroun thesaurius for this yeir, [On which day Sir Patrick Hammylton of Kincavill, Knight, is elected Provost for the ensuing year, James Barroun, Treasurer for this year], with this condition that gif it sall happin the toun to hald the commoun mylnis and proffeittis thairof and the Hammyltoun Præpositus.

1 The Regent Albany was at this time on the Borders, engaged in putting down the rebellion headed by the Earl of Home.

Hammyltoun Præpositus.

wild aventouris into thair awin handis vnset this yeir intocum the said thesaurare sall haue his auld fie viz. x merkis, and his seruand that sall be vnder him x merkis, and gif the toun haldis bot the mylnis or wyld aventouris ane of thame into thair awin handis, for his servand bot v merkis.

17 *October* 1515.

Mailvill Præpositus.

Quo die Dauid Mailvill communiter electus est prepositus cum consilio et avisamento domini nostri Gubernatoris pro anno presenti, non obstante electione prius facta hesterno die.

[On which day David Mailvill is commonly elected Provost, with the consent and advice of our Lord Governor for the present year, notwithstanding the former election made yesterday.]

15 *November* 1515.

Litera Gubernatoris to the provest and baillies anent the keiping of the statutes.

The provest and baillies of our burgh of Edinburgh: Forsamekill as we ar aduerteist that thair is diuers of our letteres cum to yow in breking of your statvtes and guid reull of our toun and commoun weill thairof, it is our will that yowr statutes be keipit vniversalie till all yowr nychtbouris without ony exceptioun, nochtwithstanding ony of our letteres direct to cum in the contrare. Subscriuet with our hand at Edinburgh the fourtene day of November 1515. (Sequitur subscriptio dominorum consilii apud Edinburgh 15 Novembris 1515 yeiris.)

The Lordis ordanis the provest and baillies and counsall of Edinburgh to put thair actis and statutis maid be thame for the commoun weill to dew execution efter the forme of the samyn, and na particular persoun be exceptit thairfra, nochtwithstanding letteres gevin or to be gevin in the contrair.

D. Candidecase.	Ro. Rossensis.
Erle of Arrane.	Erle Craufurd.
Erle of Levenox.	Erle Eglyntoun.
Erle of Cassillis.	Erle of Ergyll.
Erle of Huntlye.	Erle of Atholl.

28 *November* 1515.

Regratouris.

(Regratouris of pultrie, bayth wyld fowle and tame, in bying and selling thairof and nocht sufferand to cum to the kings merkatt and thair to be sawld be the bringares thairof to this towne, and throw thair regraiting cawsing exorbitand derth

thairof to all our Souerane Lordis lieges, contrair and in brekking the guide rewle and statutes of this towne, being convict ar adiugeit in amerciament of court sic as, etc.—*Tr.*) Regratouris.

22 *December* 1515.

(Small theft or pykrie pvnist be being had to the trone and thair his lug to be takket thairto, and banist for yeir and day, vnder the payne to be banist for euir.—*Tr.*) Theft.

(Ane minor and of less aige airt and pairt with ane commoun theif adiugeit to be scurgeit to the gallows, and thair his lug takkit to the beame, and banist this towne and four myle about for all the dayes of his lyfe, and neuir to cum thairin vnder the payne of deid.—*Tr.*) Minor. Theft.

2 *April* 1516.

The quhilk day, Jehane Deacon, servand to Lucs Gelis merchant of Paris, is convict be ane assys for breking of the statutes of the toun, in contrare the fredome thairof, in tapping and selling, viz. velvott, dalines, feytyng clayth, and vther staple guidis to vnfremen and vtheris than to my Lord Governour and his houshald men, for the quhilk caus he wes adiudgit to mak ane mendis to the toun as sould be modifiet be thame. Villa. Frenchman. Statutes.

The samyn day, Anthone, Frenchman, merchant of Rowane, grantis in judgment that he had coft fra Robert Bartane and Walter Ker in Leyth four last of hydis, and fra George Cornetoun ane last, quhan the provest baillies and counsall decernit the said hydis to be escheit to the toun, or ellis the availl of thame to be at the tounis will, and thair in presens foirsaid the said Anthone held vp his hand to byd at the townis will anent the saidis hydis. Anthone Frenchman Escheitt.

3 *April* 1516.

The quhilk day, Dauid Mailvill provest, in presens of the baillies counsale and communitie, hes frelie gevin over and dischairgit him quite of the bigging that he hes maid vpoun the Borrow mure, and siclyke of his arable acris and land lyand thairto, but ony clame in tyme to cum, and ordanis the stuf of the biggit land to be applyit to the commoun walling of the toun. Provest. Borrowmure.

The provest bailies and counsale hes decernit Jhone Marioribankis and Edward Litill, baillies, Jhone Irland, James Barroun and Williame Mele to pas Biggit land on the Burrowmure.

Biggit land on the Burrowmure.

and vesy the biggit land and akerris of the Burrowmure sett furth be the toun betuix this and Tyisday nixttocum, and than thai to compeir and declair thair considerationn in that mater, and continew the hale mater of the Borrow mure quhill thane.

18 *April* 1516.

Reformatioun Tenendreis Borrowmure.

The quhilk day the provest baillies and counsale diligentlie considerit the supplicatioun and complaint maid be the communitie tuicheing the tenendreis sett furth on thair Borrow mure to the tenentis thairof for the tyme, that dew reformatioun mycht be had thairof according to the first act maid thairvpoun, thairfore thir personis vnderwrittin sall compeir on Wedinsday nixt within the Tolbuith till avys and considder the said mater, and to decerne be thair deliuerance and quhat sall be done to thame that hes nocht completit the effect of the said first act, and how the mater sall stand in tyme tocum; and heirefter followis the personis, viz.:

Dauid Mailvill, provest	The Captane of the Castle	Thomas Ramsay
Williame Cuirry, Mr Lyone King of Armes	Williame Lokkart	Andro Moncur
	Jhone Mudy	Jhone Foular
Mr Ad. Ottirburne, commoun clerk	Alexr. Harlaw	Jhone Bartilmo
	Walter Chepman	Jhone Dauisoun
Mr Thomas Hammyltoun	Jhone Adamesoun	Jhone Yoile
Mr Robert Galbraith	Williame Adamesoun	Dauid Barbour
Mr James Symesoun	Jhone Watsoun	Dauid Ferry
Williame Fouler	James Jhonestoun	Jhone Drummound
William Clerk	Jhone Glen	Alane Mosman
Johne Marioribankis	James Prestoun	
Mr Alexr. Borthuik	Jhone Home	

Litill. Commoun mure.

The samyn day, Edward Litill, baillie, protestit that quhatsumevir personis hes tane akeris on the Borrow muir and that hes nocht fulfillit according to the first act maid thairvpoun, that the vnlaw of thame that hes failitt may be raisit and inbrocht to the commoun workis of the toun, and siclyke protestit Thomas Barthelmo, kirkmaister of the baxteris.

22 *May* 1516.

xxii die mensis Maii anno Domini J^m v^c xvi^o hora 4^a post merediem, indictione quarta, pontificatus Leonis Pape decimi anno quarto. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti prouida et honeste persone Mergareta Quhiteheid filia et heres quondam Willelmi Quhiteheid burgensis burgi de Edinburgh et Johannes Liddaill suus sponsus vnanimi consensu et assensu fatebantur se recepisse et habuisse a prouido viro Francisco Touris huiusmodi burgi burgensi tutore predicte Mergarete quamdiu sub tutorie subiectione existebat plenariam ratiocinium compotum et solutionem omnium et singularum firmarum et proficuorum terrarum suarum cum pertinentiis vbilibet infra dictum burgum jacentem et annuorum reddituum quorumcunque sibi Mergarete pertinentium pro tempore qualitercunque; atque idem Mergarete et Johannes fatebantur se recepisse a dicto Francisco omnes et singulas suas literas cartas instrumenta et euidentias de predictis terris suis et annuis redditibus quascunque, vnacum obligationibus ac quittantiis et aliis scripturis cum quibus aliqualiter intromisit et habuit; etiamque fatebantur se predicta Mergareta vt eius sponsus recepisse a predicto Francisco specialiter et expressa ista bona in vulgari sequentia, videlicet:—Ane comptar, ane irne chimnay, ane standand bed, ane pres with courtingis of reid and greyne sey, ane mete almory, ane lang sadill, ane forme, ane paling of verdour, ii verdour beddis, courtingis of reid sey and grene, ane Flandris schryne, ane greit round coffyr bandit with quhit irne, ii tykis of beddis, xvii pece of pewder veschell, viz. plaitis, dischis, and salsaris, v chandlaris, ane bassyn and lawar, x iiii pynt stopis, ten towallis, vi of lynyn and iiii hardy, a rufe abone the comptar heid, ane burdclath of dorne werk: Item, in the compertas of Craufurdis ane standand bed, and ane schryne: Item into Thom M'Dowellis, ane standand bed, and ane cavy to foulis. Et omnia alia bona mobilia hereditaria et non-hereditaria que habuit ipsa Margareta ratione dicti quondam patris sui aut aliis qualitercunque pertinentia de quibusquidem firmis redditibus proficuis cartis literis instrumentis obligationibus acquittantiis et bonis vt supra continetur et aliis quibuscunque cum quibus idem Franciscus aliqualiter intromisit et habuit prescripti Mergareta et Johannes Liddaill suus sponsus tenuerunt se bene contentos et plenarie satisfactos atque pro se heredibus suis executoribus et assignatis sepedictum Franciscum Touris heredes suos executores et assignatos

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quittum et quittos inde clamarunt et quitteclamant pro perpetuo sine reclamatione fraude et dolo. Super quibus dictus Franciscus petiit instrumentum. Acta erant hec in domo habitacionis dicti Francisci. Testibus, magistro Dauid Lauder vicario de Erslidon, magistro Johanne Rynd, Willelmo Murray, notario, Willelme Lauder, Mertino Nycholl, et Roberto Liddaill.

[On the twenty-second day of the month of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and sixteen, at four o'clock afternoon, in the fourth indiction, in the fourth year of the pontificate of Leo the Tenth, Pope. In presence of me, notary-public, and the witnesses subscribing, personally appeared a prudent and honest person, Margaret Whiteheid, daughter and heiress of the late William Whiteheid, burgess of the Burgh of Edinburgh, and John Liddaill, her spouse, with one consent and assent acknowledged to have had and received from a prudent man, Francis Touris, burgess of this Burgh, tutor to the foresaid Margaret, as long as she remained under tutory, full explanation, account and payment of all and singular the rents and profits of her lands, with the pertinents wherever situated within the said Burgh, and of the annual rents whatsoever pertaining to the said Margaret for the time in any manner of way. And the said Margaret and John acknowledged themselves to have received from the said Francis all and singular those writs, charters, instruments, and evidents of the foresaid lands and annual rents whatsoever, together with obligations, acquittances, and other writings with which he had in any way intromitted. As also, the said Margaret acknowledged that her spouse had received from the foresaid Francis, specially and expressly, the following goods, viz. :—Ane comptar, etc. [*as above*], and all other moveable goods, heirship and not heirship, which the said Margaret had in right of her said father and others in any manner of way, of which fermes, rents, profits, charters, letters, instruments, obligations, acquittances, and goods, as above contained, and others whomsoever, with which the said Francis had in any way intromitted, the before-written Margaret, and John Liddaill, her spouse, held themselves to be well content and fully satisfied, and for themselves, their heirs, executors, and assignees, declared the frequently referred to Francis Touris, his heirs, executors, and assignees, to be freed and discharged for ever, without reclamation, fraud or guile. Upon which the said Francis asked instruments. These things were done in the dwelling-house of the said Francis. Witnesses—Master David Lauder, vicar of Erslidon; Master John Rynd; William Murray, notary; William Lauder, Martin Nycholl, and Robert Liddaill.]

7 *August* 1516.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsale hes grantit the desire of Robert Glen anent the act of parliament that nane sould saile without half ane last of guidis to the foirsaid Robert for the space of ane yeir to cum, and langer at the will of the provest and baillies, and the said Robert swore in presens foirsaid in jugment to be lele and trew to the toun, and exerce diligentlie the said office,[1] nother for fere nor fauour lufe nor hatrent meid nor reward, bot eifter the forme of the act of parliament maid thairvpoun, and he to haif the ane half of the vnlaw sa far as pertenis to the toun, and the toun the vther half, to be applyit to the commoun werkis of the toun. Act. Sailling of merchants without ane last of guidis.

22 *August* 1516.

The quhilk day, the provest ordanis Mr Francis Bothuell, baillie, till putt the porter of the Wast Port in ane publict place with ane row in his hand, for his oppressioun of the men that brocht the hadder to the toun, in example of vtheris in tyme tocum, and dischairgit him of his office of the said port. Wast Port. Oppressioun.

5 *September* 1516.

The quhilk day, it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsall that gif ony burges colloris the sailing of chepman and vther pure merchandis, nocht havand half ane last of guidis or ellis als mekle in sterege, aganis the statute and act of parliament, the said burges sall pay ane vnlaw of x li. to the commoun werkis of the toun. Saling. Vnfremen.

6 *September* 1516.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall hes diligentlie avisit and considerit be the auld rite and consuetude that the Kingis metter of claith sould haif of strangearis of thair claith that passis furth of the realme, that is to say, of ilk hundreth braid claith viij d., and of ilk hundreth narow claith iiij d. Quhairfore thai decerne and ordanis the said metter for the tyme till haif thankfull payment thairof, and to be obeyit thairintill as efferis; and as anentis the claith that cummis furth of vther borrowis, of the quhilk thai haif the coquet to schaw that thai haue payit thair dewteis and custome, the saidis provest The seall of the metter of the claith.

1 Evidently that of a searcher under the provisions of the Acts of Parliament 1487, c. 12, and 1489, c. 14. [Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., pp. 178 and 221. See also the earlier Acts, 1424, c. 16; 1457, c. 10; and 1466, c. 3. [*Ibid.* pp. 8, 49, 86.]

The seall of the metter of the claith.

baillies and counsall decernis Robert Glen, metter, to tak nathing thairof becaus they haif done to the King of this realme as accordis vpoun the law.

3 *October* 1516.

Dauid Mailvill, prepositus.

Statutum consilij.

The quhilk day, it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsall that all personis that ar chosin vpoun the counsall compeir ilk Wedinsday and Fryday in the Tolbuith or the straik of ten houris befoir nwne, till decerne vpoun the commoun materris, ilk persoun that comperis nocht ilk day at the said hour to pay xij d. vnforgevin to the commoun werkis of the toun als aft as evir thai failye.

12 *December* 1516.

Aill.

The provest baillies and counsale hes statut and ordanit, for the commoun weill of the burgh, that all maner of browsteris and tapstares within the samyn keip and fulfill the statutes of the towne maid abefore anent the pryce of the aill, that is to say that nane of thame tak vpoun hand to tap nor sell darrer aill na for xij d. the galloun fra this day furth, vnder the payne of spayning fra the occupatioun for yeir and day, and thairvpoun to be pvnist but favouris.

5 *January* 1516-17.

Pro sororibus Ecclesiam Beati Johannis Baptisti super communem morem.

Quinto die mensis Januarii anno Domini j^{m} v^{c} xvj°, indictione quinta, pontificatus Leonis Pape decimi anno quarto. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia, etc. [On the fifth day of the month of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and sixteen, in the fifth indiction, and in the fourteenth year of the Pontificate of Pope Leo the Tenth. In presence of me, notary-public, and the witnesses subscribing, etc.] The quhilk day Schir Johne Craufurd, fundour patrone and chaplane of Sanct Johnis Kirk of the Burrowmure of Edinburgh, translatis and adnullis the fundatioun and mortificatioun maid of befor, that is to say, that the said Schir Johne Craufurd gaif the said kirk, kirkyard, with housis biggit and to be biggit, yard, and all his land and akris lyand thairto, contenit in his said first fundation and mortification, to[1] Josina Henrison and to the laif of the sisteris of thar ordour of Saint Katerine de Senis, thai garrand sing thare hie mes and antiphone of our Lady dalie, and vthir suffrage for hys

[1] The following names were originally inserted :—"Marion Johnesoun and Jacinta," but these have been deleted, and "Josina Henrison" substituted.

and thare saulis, contenit in his first fundation and mortification maid thar- upon, lyke as salbe contenit in this his new fundation; Reseruand all way to him for all the dayis of his lyf the franktenement of the said land and akeris, and als all the offerandis of the kirk, becaus he may nocht sustene himself without reseruation as said is for greit eild that he is drawin to; And als with this claus, that gif the ordour of the holy ladiis that is begwn at the said kirk failyeis and proceidis nocht efter the forme of this new fundation and erection etc. that the said kirk, kirkyard, and houssis biggit and for to big, yard, land, akeris and offerandis returne agane to the said Schir Johnis fundation erection and mortification, and it to haif the samyn strenth force and effect that it had befor his secund fundation and erection. And this the said Schir Johne did efter the forme of his fundation to be maid to the said sisteris therapon. Et petierunt dicte Mariota et Jacinta instrumentum. Testibus, domino Georgeo Newton archideacono Dunblanensi, fratre Johanne Spens, prouinciale ordinis fratrum predicatoru n, magistro Johanne Rynd, dominis Johanne Cant, Johanne Lithgw, capellanis Jacobo Goldsmyth, Andrea Johneston, Francisco Blakstok, Johanne Andirson. [And the said Mariota and Jacinta asked instruments. Witnesses, Sir George Newton, archdeacon of Dunblane; Friar John Spens, provincial of the order of Preaching Friars; Mr John Rynd; Sirs John Cant, John Lithgw; chaplain James Goldsmyth, Andrew Johneston, Francis Blakstok, John Anderson.]

Pro sororibus Ecclesiam beati Johannis Baptisti super communem morem.

24 *January* 1516-17.

The quhilk day, the provest Dauid Mailvill allegit and said that the mater of the flesche stock rowme that was debetable amangis the flescheouris pertenis to the toun, and quha that wald gif maist for it to the walling of the toun thai sould haue it.

Flesche stok rowme.

(The hous of the Grammer Schole in St Mary Wynd disponit to the toun be Maister David Vocat, secundum tenorem carte fundationis conficiendi.—*Tr.*)

Grammer Schole.

6 *February* 1516-17.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis that na maner of baxter within this burgh by any quheit in the mercat, bot that the samyn be mett with the commoun fyrlottis, swa that the fermoraris of the petie customes may gett thair dewiteis thairof, and that nane do in the contrare heirof vnder pane of escheit of thair quheit; and als decernis and ordanis that quhat cost or

Petie customes. Baxteris.

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expenssis that the saidis fermoraris of the petie customes makis vpoun fyrlottis, pekkis, and on the vnce trone, and all thing pertenand thairto, salbe allowit to thame swa that all that thai perfurnis be furth cummand to the townis vse.

27 *May* 1517.

[Wells.]

It is statute be the provest baillies and counsale of this towne, for the commoun weill and proffeit thairof and nychtbouris of the samyn, that ony burne ledare within this burch or vtowth tak or draw ony watter at draw wellis or vtheris within this burch in tyme to cum, vnder the payne of viij s. to be tane of him quhatsumeuer he be that beis apprehendit or provit brekand this statute for the first falt, to be applyit to the walling of the towne, and for the secund falt vther viij s., and swa furth for ilk time viij s. als oft as thai can be apprehendit doand in the contrair of this statute, to be tane to the walling of the towne as said is but favouris.

30 *June* 1517.

Pro domino Thoma Halkerston.

Vltimo die mensis Junii, anno Domini J^{M} v^{c} xvii^{o}, indictione quinta, pontificatus domini nostri Leonis diuina prouidencia Pape decimi anno quinto. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter constitutus prouidus et circumspectus vir dominus Thomas Halkerston prepositus ecclesie collegiate de Creichtone ex vna, et Cristina Ferry relicta quondam Johannis Portuos pannulatoris burgensis burgi de Edinburgh ex altera, inter quasquidem partes finaliter appunctuatum fuit et concordatum prout sequitur in vulgare, viz. [On the last day of the month of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and seventeen, in the fifth indiction and fifteenth year of the pontificate of our Lord Leo the Tenth, by Divine providence Pope, In presence of me, notary-public, and the witnesses subscribing, personally appeared a prudent and circumspect man, Sir Thomas Halkerston, provost of the College Church of Crichton, on the one part, and Christina Ferry, relict of the late John Portuos, furrier, burgess of Edinburgh, on the other, between whom it had been finally concluded and agreed as follows, in the common language, videlict—] It is appointit and concordit betuix ane venerable and discreit man Schir Thomas Halkerstone, provest of Creichtone, on that ane part, and Cristiane Ferry the relict of vmquhill John Portuos, furrour, on that vther part, that quhare scho has sauld to the said Schir Thomas, in hir behalf and in the name and behalf of Lancelot Portuos hir sone, and aire of the said vmquhill Johne, ii c. rauch-

teris, ilk hundreth for vi crovnis Scottis money, i c. dalis for xxiiii crovnis, extending to ii s. the pece, the fraucht and vncoftis to be allowit the said money in sa far as he or his factouris ressauis; and inlikwis the [said] Schir Thomas oblissis him to pay as is aboue writtin. Acta in camera dicti Thome, hora quasi sexta, presentibus ibidem magistro Johanne Lokkart, Georgio Seton, et Georgio Hill. Dictus dominus Thomas petiit instrumentum. [Done in the chamber of the said Thomas, in the sixth hour, and in presence of Master John Lokhart, George Seton, and George Hill. The said Sir Thomas asked an instrument.] Pro domino Thoma Halkerston.

4 *July* 1517.

Quarto die mensis Julii anno Domini J^{m} v^{c} xvii^{o}, indictione quinta, pontificatus domini nostri Leonis diuina prouidencia Pape decimi anno quinto. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter constituti prouidi viri Robertus Glen, filius et heres Johannis Glen burgensis burgi de Edinburgh ex vna, Willelmus Tod et Willelmus Nesbet huiusmodi burgenses ex altera, inter quasquidem partes finaliter appunctuatum fuit et concordatum prout sequitur in vulgari. [On the fourth day of the month of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and seventeen, in the fifth indiction and fifteenth year of the pontificate of our Lord Leo the Tenth, by Divine providence Pope. In presence of me, notary-public, and the witnesses subscribing, personally appeared a prudent man, Robert Glen, son and heir of John Glen, burgess of the Burgh of Edinburgh, on the one part, William Tod and William Nesbit, burgesses of this Burgh, on the other, between whom it had been finally concluded and agreed as follows in the common tongue.] It isappointit aggreit and finalie concordit betuix worthi men Robert Glen, sone and aire to Johne of Glen, burges of Edinburgh, vesiater and serchare of the skynnis and bindis thairof within the said burgh on that ane part, Williame Tod and William Nesbet, burgesses of the said burgh on that vther part, in maner forme and effect as efter followis, that is for to say:—The said Robert has set the office and serching of the said skynnis, with all the profittis and dewiteis therof quhatsumeuer, and vesying of the samyn, to the saidis Williame and Williame for all the dayis and termes of twa yeris nixt and immediatlie followand the dait heirof. For the quhilkis the saidis Williame and Williame sall content and pay to the said Robert the soume of fourty merkis vsuale money of Scotland at thir termes eftir followand, viz. x merkis of the said vsuale money at the day of the dait heirof, Pro Roberto Glen.

Pro Roberto Glen.

and vther x merkis of the said vsuale money at the feist of Sanct Mertyne nixt and immediatlie heirefter followand, and at the feist of Witsounday immediatlie therefter followand vther x merkis, and at the nixt Mertimes therefter followand vther x merkis, in complete and hale pament of the said some of fourti merkis for the said twa yeris. And gif it happinit the said William and William to be vexit troublit or inquiet in the takin wp of the proffitt and dewites of the seing of the sadis skynnis that may fall therthrow, the said Robert Glen bindis and oblisses him his aris executouris and assignes to warrand acqueit and defend thame tharintill. And gif thai sustene any dampinage or scaith thairthrow the said Robert bindis and oblissis him to refound and pay the samyn to the saidis William and William in the sickerest forme and stile of obligacioune faithfullie that can be diuisit but fraud or gile. And attour the said William and William has promittit that the said Robertis faderis skynnis salbe fre of all maner of drink siluer enduring the space of the said twa yeris. Super quibus dicti partes petierunt instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec super publicum stratum regiam huiusmodi burgi hora quasi xii. Testibus, domino Willelmo Brovne rectore de Mouswald, Willelmo Moubra et Thoma Ramsay. [Upon which the said parties asked an instrument or instruments. These things were done on the King's public street of the Burgh, in the twelfth hour. Witnesses—Sir William Brown, rector of Mouswald, William Moubray, and Thomas Ramsay.]

7 *July* 1517.

[Decree of Lords of Council and Session as to privileges of Edinburgh in Leith.]

The Lard of Lestalrig protestit that quhat the Lordis did in the mater betuix the town of Edinburgh and Robert Bertoun comptrollar, tuiching arestment maid on the schoir of Leith, suld turn him to na preiudice tuiching his heretage as baroun of Lestalrig.

Master James Wischard, aduocat to oure Souerane Lord protestit that quhat war done betuix the toun of Edinburgh and Robert Bertoune suld turn the Kingis priuilege to na hurt anent the auld vse and possessione.

Master Adame Otterburne askit instrumentis that Robert Bertoun grantit in presens of the Lordis that he coft ane schip with tymmer.

Master James, aduocat forsaid, askit instrumentis that he had desirit the Lordis to compell the toun of Edinburgh to reforme and mend the Newhavyn.

Anent the supplicatioun gevin in be the provest ballies counsall and communite of Edinburgh, that quhar we and our predecessouris ar infeft of auld in fre

burrowage, and with all priuelege that pertenis to the burgh, togidder with the priuelegis and fredomes of the port of Leith and Newhavyn, quharthrow thai ressaue all entre of schippis, and the thesaurar in the tovnis name makis merkat for the commoun wele of the realme with all strangearis and vnfremen bringand ony merchandice to the said port, and as the said thesaurar makis merkat euery induellar of the realm has his pairt of the said merchandice, and specialie of tymmir for thair necesar byggingis, sa that thair is na regrating tholit to be maid within the said toune, neuirtheles quhen thair said thesaurar and ane of the baillies of the said toune had enterit ane schip of Herik Cordson, Ducheman, and maid compte with him of all his tymmyr, and past at the command of the provest ballies counsale and communite of the said toune to ressaue the said tymmyr, and ressauit ane pairt of sparris and rachteris, and laid apoun the schoir of Leith, Robert Bertoune comptrollar, and with him ane multitud of his nychtburis and men of Leith, come and masterfullie tuk the said tymmyr fra thair said thesaurar and balye, and spulyeit certane sparris fra thame, like as at mair lenth is contenit in the said supplicatioun: The provest ballies counsale and communite comperand be master Adam Otterburn thair procuratour, and the said Robert Bertoune beand personally present, the Lordis of Counsale decretis decernis and ordainis that quhen ony schippis with tymmer cummis in to the portis of Leith and New havyne that oure Souerane Lordis thesaurar or comptrollar mak merchandice with the persounis awnaris and merchandis of the saidis schippis, and by als mekle tymmir of the samin as is necessar to our said Souerane Lordis awin proper vse and na mair, and that the provest ballies counsale and fremen of the toune of Edinburgh sall mak price and by all sic schippis cummand in to the saidis portis with tymmyr, the King beand seruit as said is, and quhen thai haue coft the saidis schippis with tymmir to sell the samin to all maner of persouns for thair necessaris and biggingis of the samin price that thai by it of, thai cummand to ressaue the said tymmir and mak payment thairof or payment be maid to the merchandis of the saidis schippis; and ordanis that it sall nocht be lefull to na maner of persouns vnfremen to mak ony merchandice of tymyr or vther stuff with strangearis nor vther schippis cummand to the saidis portis in tyme tocum, and quhai that has done in the contrar or sall do in tyme tocum that thai call thame befor the lordis thairfore and justice salbe institut.

[Decree anent the privileges of Edinburgh in Leith.]

5 September 1517.

Candilmakers' Seill of Caus.

To all and sindrie quhom it efferis to quhais knawlege thir present lettres sall cum, the prouest baillies and counsall of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in God euirlesting, witt your vniuersiteis that the day of the daitt of thir presents comperit befoir ws sittand in the Tolbuith in jugement the haill craftismen of the candilmakers of the said burgh, that is to say Robert Fassintin, Androw Galloway, Ambrose Gray, William Wilsoun, Malise Malloch, and Jhonn Selyman, the quhilk persouns and craftismen presentet as thair supplicatioun and bill of thair desyres for the conforming and keping of thair statutes and rewles maid for the commoun weill of this burgh and Kings lieges reperand thairto, accordand and conformand to the awld statutes and privileges that thai had of the prouest baillies and counsall of the said burgh of before, the quhilk supplicatioun and bill red before ws at lenth, and we thairwith beand rypelie avyset thocht the samyn consonant to ressoun and greitt appeirand proffeitt to the said craftisman, to this guid toun and Kings lieges reparand thairto, and thairfor it is our will, and als we decerne and ordanis, that the said craftismen and thair successouris bruik joyse and vse all thair awld fredome, statutes, rewles, articles and conditiouns maid for the guid rewle of the said occupatioun and craft as atter followis: In the first, that yeirlie the haill craft of the said candilmakeris within this burgh sall cheyse ane deykin amangs thame that is fremen and burges of the toun, quhilk deykin sall be oblist and sworne to rewle and conforme the said craft in all guid rewle and ordinance for the honour and worschip of the realme and toun, lyke as vther craftismen dois within the samyn. Item, that na maner of man nor woman occupy the said craft as to be ane maister and to set vp buith, bot gif he be ane freman or ellis ane fremanis wyfe of the said craft allanerlie, and quhen thai sett vp buith they sall pay to Sanct Geills wark half a merk of syluer, and to the reparatioun, beylding and vphalding of the licht of ony misterfull alter within the College Kirk of Sanct Geill, quhar the said deykin and craftismen thinks maist neidfull, half ane merk, ay and quhill the said craftismen be furnist of ane alter of thair awin. And in lykwayis ilk maister and occupear of the said craft sall, in the honour of Almichtie God, and of his blissit mother Sanct Marie, and of our patrone Sanct Gele, and of all sanctis of heaven, sall give yeirlie to the helping and furthering of ony guid reparatioun ather of licht or of ony other neidfull grayth till ony alter situat within the said College Kirk maist neidfull, x s., and to [be] gadderit

be the deykin of the said craft ay and quhill thai be proydet of ane alter to thame selffes, and he that disobeyis heirin the deykinis and the laif of the craft sall poynd thame with ane officer of the toun, and him pay ane pund of walx to our Lady altare quhill thai get ane alter of thair awin, and that nane of the said craftismen send any lads, boyes, or seruands oppinlie vpoun the hie gaitt with ony candill to rowpe or to sell in playne streitts, vnder the payne of escheitting of the candill and paying ane pund of walx to our Lady alter the first falt, the secund tyme escheitting of the candill and paying of twa pund of walx, the thrid time escheitting of the candill and his persoun to be brocht with the deykin and craftismen of the said craft to the provest and baillies of the toun, and thair to be pvnist, with avyse of the said deykin for the tyme and the laif of the said craft, for the brekking of thair said statutes and rewles; bot it sall be lefull to ilk maister of the said craft to haif ane seruand that sall gang honestlie throw the toun with his creill and stufe to furneis his callands with, bot nochte to rowpe thame oppinly to sell, and that he beir on his creill his maisters mark to ken him and his stufe, and quha that beis sene gangand vtherwayes the candill to be escheitt and pvnist as said is. Item, that na man of the said craft tak ony prenteis for les termes than foure yeir, and that na man of the said craft nor na vthers tak nor fie ane other mannis prenteis nor seruand without licence and leif of his maister asket and obtenit quhill the compleitt end and ische of thair termes; and quha sa dois the contrar heirof the deykin and the laif of the said craft to pvneis that as effeiris, and attour that all the maisteris of the said craft mak guid and sufficient stufe and honestlie handlit and sufficient worth the money, and that all wemen be expellet the said craft bot fremenns wyffes of the said craft allanerlie, thay doand and obeyand to the deykin and craftismen lykeas is contenit in the foresaidis statutes, bot gif it be allanerlie for thair awin vse and byrning in thair howssis, and quha that will nocht be maid freman he sall nocht sett vp nor hald buith bot to be ane seruand vnder a master quhill he grow and be reddy thairto, and that nane of the saidis craftismen seruands boyes nor prenteis thair termes beand rwn mak seruice to ony vther men except the craftismen of the said craft, vnto the tyme that thay be reddy to wirk thair awin wark and to be fremen of the toun. The quhilk articles statutes and rewles we the said provest baillies and counsal of the said burgh for ws and our successouris apprevis ratifeyis and confermis the samyn in swa far as effeiris till ws or hes power; and this till all and sindrie quhom it

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effeiris or may effeir in tyme to cum we mak it knawn be thir presents lettres; and for the mair verefication and strenth of the samyn we haif to thir present lettres hungin the commoun seill of cause of the said burgh of Edinburgh, the fyft day of the moneth of September the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} and seventeen yeiris. (Subscribitur) Strathauchin.

(And the seill of caus to hing quhilk hes bene brokkin and putt togidder with new walx thairon bayth sydes.

This lettre confermit be the Kings maiestie vnder the greitt seill. Daittet at Edinburgh the fourt day of May j^{m} v^{c} lxxxxvij yeirs.—*Tr.*)

20 *September* 1517.

Wynes.

It is statut be the prouest bailies and counsale of this burgh, for the commoun weill thairof, that na maner of taverner within this burgh tap nor sell na darrer wyne fra this hour furth na for viij d. the pynt of claret, vnder the payne of dinging furth of the punscheoun heid of the committeris thairof to the rigour but favouris.

16 *November* 1517.

[Burgesses to reside and hold stob and staik in burgh.]

It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies counsall and community of this burgh of Edinburgh that considering thair is dyuers and mony sundry persouns maid burgessis and fremen within this burgh quhilk dwellis nocht within the saymn, nother yitt nother scotts lotts extents walkis nor wairds nor yitt beris na portabill chairgeis within this burgh siclyke as thai awcht to do, and as vthers nychtbouris and fremen of this burgh dois, in contrair the awld statutes maid thairvpoun; theirfore the said president baillies counsall and community declaris and makis intimatioun be oppin proclamatioun that all maner of persouns quhilks ar burges maid and fremen of this burgh that thai cum and remayne within the samyn and hald thair stob and staik thairintill, with certificatioun that and thai cum nocht within xl dayes and mak thair dwelling place within this said burgh, and fulfill the poynts forsaid, that thai sall bruik na maner of fredome within the samyn, conformeand to the said awld stautes maid thairvpoun. (In the convict buik.—*Tr.*)

18 *December* 1517.

Meil regrait-ting.

It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale for the commoun weill of this towne, and for to ceis the greitt exorbitant derth that

is rissin of the maile within this burgh be the regratoures, that na maner of regratouris man nor woman within this burgh, nather within houssis nor vtowth, tap nor sell ony meile fra this time furth quhill Pasche nixttocum, vnder the payne of escheitting of the mele that beis fundin selland be thame, to be escheitt and applyit to the commoun werks of the towne to the rigour but favouris. Meill regraitting.

3 *February* 1517-18.

Tertio die mensis Februarii anno Domini j^{m} v^{c} xvij^{mo} indictione sexta, pontificatus domini nostri Leonis diuina prouidencia Pape decimi anno quinto. In honorabilium virorum balliuorum consulum et magistrorum artificum communitatis burgi de Edinburgh representantium aliorumque proborum virorum burgensium dicti burgi, in pretorio eiusdem congregatorum, nostrorumque notariorum publicorum et testium subscriptorum presentiis personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir, Johannes Hammiltone tunc tempore dicti burgi presedens, pro tribunali in prefato pretorio sedens, quoddam scriptum sibi et balliuis dicti burgi directum a nobili et prepotenti domino Jacobo comite Arranie domino Hammilton, vno regentium regni Scotie, et prefati burgi preposito, manu sua vt apparuit subscriptam coram consulibus et probis viris antedictis in medio produxit et coram eis publice perlegi fecit. In quo mandatum fuit per dictum dominum prepositum prefatis presidenti et balliuis quatinus ipsi cum auisamento consulum et communitatis dicti burgi deputatum seu scribam sufficientem in officio clericatus communis dicti burgi sub principali communi clerico eiusdem elegerent loco quondam Henrici Strathauchin, qui dum vixerat fuit scriba et deputatus sub principali clerico, prout in eodem scripto plenius continetur. Vigore cuius requisiuit vota dictorum balliuorum consulum magistrorum siue principalium artificum aliorumque proborum communitatis dicti burgi ad premissa. Et statim honorabilis vir, magister Adam Ottirburne, communis clericus eiusdem burgi, inter alios in consilio sedens, surrexit, asserens se esse communem clericum dicti burgi per prepositum balliuos consules et communitatem eiusdem per prius ad hoc communiter electum, cum potestate deputandi in eodem, prout in literis sub sigillo communi dicti burgi sibi desuper confecte plenius vt asseruit continetur, et obtulit se in dicto officio communis clericatus in persona propria ministraturum, prepositoque balliuos consulibus et communitati eiusdem in eodem, cum omnibus fidelitate et humilitate seruiturum, propter quod affirmabat nullum alium deputatum in prefato officio suo sine ipsius consensu quoquomodo [Anent the election of a depute common clerk.]

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elegi siue instituti deberi. Et longo tractatu inter presedentem balliuos consules et communitatem desuper habito, tandem ad votum eorundem processum fuerit, hii probi viri subscripti vota sua pro dicto magistro Adam circa premissa hoc modo reddiderunt prout sequitur in vulgari. In primis Francis Touris, Jhone of Marioribankis, et Nichole Carnecros thre of the said baillies of the said burgh, Dauid Mailuile, Archibald Douglas, William Clerk, James of Preston, William Adamsone elder, Robert Logane, Walter Chepman, Johne of Carmichel, and Andro Moncur consolors of the said burgh, William Ra kirkmaster for the hammermen, Johne of Muedlous k. for the talycouris, Stephin Bell k. for the skynnaris, Ja. Litiljohn k. for the cordineris, William Cristisone k. for the fleschoris, Walter Flecht k. for the barbouris, Johne of Riddale k. for the wobstaris, representand the communite of thare craftis, William Foular dene of gild, William Carmichell, Adam Stewart, Johne Adamsone elder, Johne Irland, Adam Hoppar, Maister Franceis Boithvell, Thomas Home, Thomas Bard, James Yong, William Brovne alias Albany herrald, William Mele, William Rind, William Elphinstone and Thomas Cuke, merchand, all conforme togidder and ilkane of thame be thame self grantit and confessit that the said Maister Adam wes thair common clerk, chosin therto be fre election for his live tyme, and that he had thair letteris vnder thar common sele therapon, and said thai wald kep the samyn in all poinctis and na wis cum incontrare therof and that he wes ane abill man till vse the said office, and to mak the tovne seruice therin in his propir persone, gif he likit to do the samyn, lik as he offerit him reddy diuers tymes to do thair in thair presens; John Adamsone younger the ferd bailie, and James of Johnstone said for thair votis that thai wald the common sele war kepit, and that my lord principale povestis request or command war fulfillit. Et preterea communis populus ibidem congregatus de votis suis a presidente interrogatus se, consulibus conformans et dicto Magistro Ade consenciens cognominem suum viz. Ottirburne, Ottirburne, alta voce pro maiori parte protulerunt. Acta erant in pretorio dicti burgi hora quasi prima post merediem etc. Presentibus ibidem prouidis et discretis viris, magistris Edwardo Cunygaham, Jacobo Foulis, Johanne Rynd, Jacobo Carmure capellanis; dominis, Willelmo Wardlaw, Alexandro Scot, Willelmo Broune; capellanis, Johanne Stephinson, Alexandro Scot, Georgio Stele, Johanne Bertraham, Laurencio Kirkpatrik, Andrea Mowbra, Georgio Leth, et Jacobo Clerk, cum multis aliis.

[On the third day of the month of February, in the year of our Lord 1517, the sixth indiction, in the fifth year of the pontificate of our Lord Leo the Tenth, by divine providence Pope. In presence of honourable men, the Baillies, Councillors, and Deacons of crafts of the Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh, and representing the other honest men, the burgesses of the said burgh, assembled in the Tolbooth thereof, and of us notaries public and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared an honourable man, John Hammiltone, at that time President of the said burgh, sitting in judgment in the foresaid Tolbooth, who produced and caused openly to be read before them a certain writing directed to him and the baillies of the said burgh by a noble and mighty lord James Earl of Arrane, Lord Hammilton, one of the Regents of the kingdom of Scotland, and Provost of the foresaid burgh, signed as appeared with his hand; by which writing it was commanded by the foresaid Lord Provost, that the foresaid President and Bailies should elect immediately, with advice of the councillors and community of the said burgh, a deputy or sufficient writer in the office of common clerk of the said burgh, under the principal common clerk, in place of the deceased Henry Strathauchin, who, while he lived, was writer and deputy under the principal clerk, as in the said writing is more fully contained. By virtue whereof he required the votes of the said baillies, councillors, masters or deacons of crafts, and other honest men of the said community in the premises. And immediately an honourable man, Master Adam Ottirburne, common clerk of the said Burgh, sitting among others in council, rose up, asserting himself to be common clerk of the said burgh, previously elected thereto by common consent of the provost, bailies, councillors, and community thereof, with power of appointing deputes therein, as in the letters under the common seal of the said burgh thereupon made to him, is, as he asserted, more fully contained, and offered to officiate in the said office of common clerk in his proper person, and to serve the said provost, baillies, councillors, and community therein with all faithfulness and humility; wherefore he affirmed that no other deputy ought in any way to be elected or instituted in his foresaid office without his consent; and a long discussion being thereupon had between the president, baillies, councillors, and community, at length they proceeded to vote. The following honest men gave their votes for the said Master Adam in the premises, in the manner which follows in the common tongue. First, Francis Touris, etc., *ut supra*. And moreover, the populace there assembled being asked for their votes by the president, for the most part confirmed the councillors, and acknowledged the said Master Adam by his surname with a loud voice—Ottirburne, Ottirburne. These things were done in the Tolbooth of the said burgh about the first hour before noon, being there present

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[Anent the election of a depute common clerk.] honourable and discreet men, Masters Edward Cunygeham, James Foulis, John Rhynd, James Carmure, chaplains; Sirs, William Wardlaw, Alexander Scot, William Brovne; chaplains, John Stephinson, Alexander Scot, George Stele, John Bartraham, Laurence Kirkpatrick, Andrew Mowbra, George Leth, and James Clerk, with many others.]

17 *April* 1518.

[Dispensation from the office of Littlejohn.] Decimo septimo die mensis Aprilis anno Domini j^m v^c xviii hora xii. The quhilk [day] in presens of the president balleis counsall and communite, master Francis Boithwell producit my lord Erle of Aranis principall provestis writingis and charge till excuse him fra the office of Litiljohn, to the quhilk he was chosin for this yeir, desyrand the samyn to be obeyit, and the tenor tharof to be insertit in this instrument. The quhilk tenor of the said writting followis:—President baillies and counsall of Edinburgh we greit yow weill. It is vnderstand to ws that maister Frances Boithwell your nichtbour is chosin to be Litiljohn for to mak sportis and joscositeis in the toun, the quhilk is a man to be vsit hiear and gravar materis, and als is apon his viage to pas beyond sey his neidfull erandis. Quharfor we request and prayis and als chargis yow that ye hald him excusit at this tyme. And we be this our wrytingis remittis to him the vnlaw gif ony he has incurrit for nocht excepping of the said office, dischargeing yow of ony poynding of him tharfor. Subscriuit with our hand at Linlithgw the xii day of Aprile the yeir of God j^m v^c and xviii yeris (subscriptio) Youris, James Erle of Arane.

The quhilk wrytingis the said maister Frances allegit war nocht fulfillit nor obeyit, and tharefor he protestit that quhat euer was done in the contrar turn him to na preiudice, and for remeid of law tyme and place quhare it efferis.

4 *May* 1518.

[Abbot of Narent.] (Anent the Abbot of Narent, callit Abbot de Narêntia, se in the convict buik, 26 April 1493, *Ibid.* [*i.e.* in the convict buik beginnand July 1505], siclyk 4 May 1518, *Ibid.* quhair he is callit Robin Huid and Little Jhone.—*Tr.*)

22 *September* 1518.

Clengeing. The president baillies and counsale decernis and ordanis the seriands to pas this nicht and bring in of the mure James Smyth, and caus him to pas to the houssis that ar infectit with the seiknes, and begyn at ix houres at even, and thairafter continuallie clenge the said houssis within tyme of nicht quhill

v houris of the morning; and that siclyke all deid cors deand in the said seiknes be eirdit at the samyn tyme, and to continew swa furth quhill clengeing be maid of all infectit houssis within this burgh, and gif the said James Smyth fyndis any claythis or vther siclyke stufe within the said houssis, that it sall be lefull till him till intromett with the samyn as his escheitt, or birn thame at his plesure, that he fyndis owtwith lokfast rowmes, and at he do his exact diligence hereintill as he will answer vpoun his lyfe; and at the saidis seriands stand besyde him and se that perfyte diligence be done be him in the clengeing of the said howssis, and at nane howssis be clengeit, nor infectit persouns that deyis eirdit, nor na persouns that ar infectit be putt furth of the towne nor tayne in agane but vnder sylence of nycht, as the saidis seriands will answer to the towne thairvpoun. Clengeing.

8 *October* 1518.

The quhilk day, the president baillies and counsale statutes and ordanis, for the guid rewle to be had in thair College Kirk of Sanct Gele, that the seruandis of the gild and the haly bluid bedrall euer ilk day keip the queir of the said kirk fra all vile personis the tyme of the maytinis, hie mes and evin sang, and at thai keip the haill kirk and thole na maner beggares to cum within the said kirk nother at maytenis, hie mes, or evin sang, vnder payne of depriuatioun of thame of thair offices for euir, and vtheris to be putt in thair steidis. Kirk ordering.

It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale, for the honesty of thair burch and for the eschewing of daynger of seiknes, that all maner of persouns inhabitaris of this burgh purge and clenge thair calsayes to myd channell fornent thair dwelling places houssis or buithis, als weill on the Kowgaitt venellis as on the hie gaitt, of all maner reddis myddings or vther filth, betuix this and Mononday at evin at nixt cumis, vnder the payne of viij s. to be tane of thame that faltis but favouris, to be wairit vpoun the dichting of the said calsayes and mending of the samyn, and als that all tar barrellis and wad pypes be remouet of the hie calsay within the said terme, vnder the payne of escheitt of the samyn. Dichting of the calsay. Tar barrellis.

It is statut and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale that na Towne wallis.

Towne wallis. muk, fuilzie, cairnis of staynis nor myddings be laid neir the commoun wallis of the towne, nother within nor vtowth, be the space of xij futes within the wallis nor xxiiij futes vtouth, and at na tulfais be biggitt to the said wallis, vnder the payne of xl s. of that persoun that faillis heirinto, and escheting of the said stufe and destructioun of the said tulfais.

Payce of breid of outlandis baxteris. It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale that forsamekill as it is statute be the lordis of Parliament that it salbe lesum to strayngeris to cum with thair breid to this burgh and sell the samyn on twa merkat dayes in the owlk Wedinsday and Fryday, and becaus the said strayngeris and vnfremen [nother] stentis waikis nor wairdis nor beris na vther portabill chairges within this burgh, that thairfore it is statute that the iiij d. laif of quheitt breid sawld be the said vnfremen sall wey iiij vnces mair than the iiij d. laif baikin within this burgh, and at the samyn be of fyne stufe weill baiken and dryet, and the gray breid vj vnces mair than the gray breid baiken within this burgh, vnder the payne of escheitt of the breid.—(In the convict buik begynand in Julij 1505.—*Tr.*)

22 *October* 1518.

[Wine.] Ane statute heiranent imediatle writtin[1] beris vnder the payne of escheting the wyne and deilling thairof to the puir folks.

16 *November* 1518.

[Decree of the Lords of Council against Robert Bertoun and others, indwellars in Leith.] Anent the supplicatioun gevin in be the provest, president, ballies, counsale, and communite of the burgh of Edinburgh aganis Robert Bertoun induellar in Leith, comptrollar to our Souerane Lord, that quhar the said Robert gaif in ane supplicatioun befor the Lordis of Counsell makand mentioun that he was hevely murmurit be the saidis provest, president, ballies, counsell and communite of diuers gret faltis and wrangis committet and done be him aganis the nychtbouris of the said toune and priuilege of the samyn, and tharefor desyring thame to be callit befor the lordis, and gif he had maid falt to be pvnist thairfore, and gif thai had murmurit him without caus thai to be pvnist siclyke; and the said provest, president, baillies, counsale and communite of the said burgh beand callit thairto, thay gaif in certane articles berand ane pairt of the saidis greit

[1] The Act referred to is dated 20th September 1517; *supra*, p. 172.

iniuries and innormiteis done be the said Robert aganis the merchandis and nichtbouris of the said toun of Edinburgh, the priuelege of the samyn and commoune wele of the haile realm, upoun the quhilk thai desyrit sentence and decrete, like as at mair lenth is contenit in the said supplicatioun and articles maid thairapoun. The provest, president, baillies, and ane pairt of the counsale and men of gud of the said town being personalie present for thame self and comperand in the name and behalf of the remanent of the saidis nychtbouris and haile communite of the said town, and the said Robert Bertoune comptrollar inlyke being personaly present, thair richtis, resounes, allegatiouns and lawis hard sene and vnderstand, and thairwith beand reply avisit. As to the first article gevin in in the name and behalf of the nychtbouris of the said town of Edinburgh berand that the said Robert in contrar the commoune law and priuilege grantit to fremen of burrowis is merchand to the maist part of all the woll on this syde the watter of Fortht, and daily byis all maner of merchandice, sic as woll, hides, claith, skyn, salmon, wyne, walx, vittalis, and all maner staple gudis, he beand unfreman and duelland vtwith the burgh, in contrar the commoun law and priuilege foresaidis: To the quhilk he answerit that he and the men of Leith had in tymis bygane vsit siklyk, and thairfor he traistit he had done na wrang thairintill: The Lordis of Counsell decretis and deliueris that the said Robert Bartoun comptrollar, and all the induellaris in Leitht, and vther vnfremen, sall decist and ceis fra all bying of woll, hyde, skyn, claith, and all merchandice in the cuntre fra vnfremen, bot that all sic merchandice cum to the said burgh and be coft fra the fremen of the samyn efter the forme and tenour of the actis of parliament and lawis of the realme maid thairapoun. And anent the secund article, quhair it is allegeit that the said Robert pakkis and pelis the saidis gudis aboue written in Leitht, quhilk is ane vnfre town, and schippis the samyn, thai nocht being brocht to the said principale frie burgh and weyit witht the Kingis wechtis, in grete preiudice to the Kingis grace anent his custumes, and to the said town anent thair priuilege and dewitis: To the quhilk the said Robert ansuerit that in tymis bygane he had that priuilege of the Kingis grace quhom God assolye, and now becaus he was comptrollar he traistit he had done na wrang thairintill, suppos he vsit it in sum pairt and pait his custume as effeirit thairfor: The Lordis foresaidis decernis the said Robert Bertoun, and all vther persounes duelling vtwitht the said burgh, inlykwis to decist and ceis fra all pakking and peling within the

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[Decree against Bertoun, etc.] said town of Leith, or in ony vther vnfrie town within thair boundis and fredome of thair said burgh, bot at all sic merchandice and gudis be brocht to the said burgh of Edinburgh, and thair to pak and pele thair gudis, and pay thair custumes and dewitis within the said burgh as accordis, efter the forme of the saidis actis of parliament. As to the ferd article, quhar the said Robert, in hurt and preiudice of the Kingis liegis and haile realme and specially againis the priuilege of the said burgh of Edinburgh, byis wynis, walx, vittalis, tymmir, irne, lynt, pik, ter, and all vther staple gudis cummand to the said port of Leith be strangearis and regrates the samyn apoun our Souerane Lordis lieges: To the quhilk the said Robert ansuerit and saidit that he brocht of his awin auentour, he sauld the best he culd, but as for vther stuff he regratit nocht, except that he tuk to the Kingis vs efter the form of the Kingis lawis and actis of parliament: The Lordis inlykwis decretis and deliueris that the said Robert, and all vtheris the Kingis legis, sal decist and ceis fra all maner of bying of sic merchandis cumand in at the port of Leith, or ony vther port within the fredome of Edinburgh, on to the tyme that the maisters and merchandis of sic schippis cumand in, cum to the officiaris of the said burgh of Edinburgh and enter thar gudis in the bukis of the town; and thairefter the comptrollar, thesaurer, or vtheris the kingis officeris takand als mekle of all sic gudis as salbe necessar for oure Souerane Lord or my Lord Gouernouris awin propir vse allanerlie, nocht bydand apoun the making of the pricis thairof; the officeris of the toun makand the said pricis efter the forme of the act of parliament maid thairupoune be King James the third; and than the comptrollar and thesaurer to pay as the pricis is maid, and our souerane Lordis liegis to haue thair pairt of all sic gudis of the samin price maid be the officeris and na derrare. Alswa anent the fift article, allegeand that the said Robert oppressis hevely the burgessis inhabitantis the said burgh of Edinburgh, in that wyse that quhare his schippis ar ladyn in France or Flanderis he refusis to custume thair gudis on to the tyme that his schippis be first furnist; the quhilk article the said Robert denyit; Nochtwithstanding the Lordis foresaid ordanis him and all vtheris to decist and ceis fra all sic thingis in tyme to cum sa that the inhabitantis of the said burgh be nocht compellit to lay thair gudis bot to quhat schippis thai pleisis best. Item anent the sext artikle, quhar it is allegit that the said Robert byis hering, keling, selchis, and vther fisch cumand in at the said port of Leith, and saltis and pelis the samin

in grete hurt and preiudice of oure souerane Lordis liegis in thair sustentatioun, and sendis the samin in Ingland and vther places; ordanis him and all vther inlikwis to decist and ceis thairfra in tyme to cum, conforme to the act of parliament, bot samekle as is necessar to the Kingis vse and my Lord Gouernouris allaneralie. And anent the last artikle, allegeand that the said Robert be himself and his seruandis byis talloun in sundry pairtis of the realm and sendis the samin furth of the realm quharethrow the exhorbitant derth of talloun is risin; the quhilk the said Robert denyit: The Lordis forsaid ordanis the act and statut maid thairupoun be kepit in tyme to cum in euery point, and the panyis thairof execut with all rigour. And attour ordanis that the said Robert and all vther persouns vnfremen mak na mercat of na maner of gudis within the fredome of the said burgh, bot within the said burgh, according to the act of parliament herapoun, and that letteres be direct herapoun in dew forme be opin proclamatioun at all pairtis neidfull as efferis; and assoilzeis the said Robert fra the punctis aboue writin safer as is allegit that he has committit or done in tymes bygane incontrar the actis of parliament or commoun wele as he allegit ignorantly gif ony be committit, and fra all cryme that may be input to him thairthrow in times cuming. [Decree against Bertoun, etc.]

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Till all and sindry quhais knaulege thir present letteres sall tocum: The prouest, baillies, counsall, and commuinite of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in God euirlasting: Wittis your vniuersiteis forsamekle as thair wes ane supplicatioun gevin befoir ws in jugement for the part of the haill merchandis and gild brethir of this burgh desyring at ws the Ile now laitly biggit within our paroche kirk of Sanct Geill on the south syde of the samyn, in the honour of the Haly Blud to be assignit and gevin to thame and thair successouris and thai and thair faculte to be patronis thairof, that thai mycht honour and repair the said Ile to the honour of God, the Haly Blud and polecy of our said kirk; and als desyring ane ordour to be put amangis the merchandis fraternite and gild brethir of this burgh for the tryne of merchandice, the gud and commone weill of the haill merchandis of the realme and that we suld interpone our autorite supple and mantenance thairto, and to haif diuers and sindry vthir priuilegis, like as wes at mair large contenit in thair said supplicatioun; with the quhilkis we beand weill and riply auisit, thocht the samyn expedient and proffitable to Seal of Cause to Merchants.

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be grantit to thame: Quhairfoir we considering that the saidis merchandis and gild bretheris desyris tendis nocht anerly to the honour of God and policy of our said kirk, bot als weill to the dayly augmentatioun and incressing of the tryne ordour and gud reull of merchandice, policy, riches amite and gud luf amangis the saidis merchandis and gild brethir: We the saidis prouest baillies counsall and communite all in ane voce for the gud publice of our said burgh be thir our present letteres for ws and our successouris gevis and grantis to the forsaidis merchandis and gild brethir and thair successouris merchandis and gild brethir the forsaid Ile with the pertinence, with power to thame till honour and repair the samyn honorably as thai think maist expedient to the honour of God and the Haly Blud, and the forsaidis merchandis to be patronis of the said Ile and alter of the samyn, and to mak the Haly Blud to be thair patrone, and to haif the Octauis of Corpus Christi to be thair procuratioun dais; and the gift dispositioun and removing of the chaplanis to be foundit or institut be thame at the said alter to be at the electioun and dispositioun of thair maister of faculte consalouris and officiaris of thair faculte for the tyme. And attour, we for ws and our successouris gevis and grantis to the forsaidis merchandis brethir of gildry and thair successouris power now at the begynning of the said fraternite to cheis ane maister of faculte, certain officiaris and counsalouris as thai think maist expedient; and thairefter the said master of faculte counsalouris and officiaris in all tymes to cum to haif power to cheis the new maister of faculte counsalouris and membris of the said fraternite to indure for sic space as thai think maist expedient for the tyme: And after the ische of thair terme to cheis ane new maister counsalouris and officiaris in thair steid as said is. The quhilkis maister counsalouris and membris of the said faculte sall fraught all the schippis ladin at our port and havin of Leith and nane vtheris to that effect, that thai may vesy and se that nane saill bot thai that are levit be the actis of parliament, the said maister counsalouris and officiaris allwayis cumand till our bukis and frauchtand the saidis schippis within the samyn as vse hes bene in all tymes bigane. And the said maister counsallouris and officiaris till haif power to put ordour to all maner of merchandice or stapill gudis pertenyng to the gildry, and to punis alsweill extranearis trespassand within our boundis as induellaris of this burgh attemptand aganis the priuilegis of the burrowis or aganis the common weill of the merchandis and gild brethir. And to haif power to hald courtis quhilkis

sall be callit courtis of Gildry, and to punis the said transgressouris, vnlawis to vplift rais and inbring, and gif neid beis to poynd and distrenye thairfor and the samyn to be disponit to thair commone werkis as thai think maist expedient. The quhilkis merchandis salbe haldin to obey the forsaid maister in all thingis vnder sic panis as sall pleis the said maister counsalouris and membris of the said fraternite to imput for the tyme. And attour, the forsaid maister of faculte counsalouris and membris sall haif power to mak quhat reulis and statutis, and als oft, as thai think expedient, and as the cace occurris, for the commone weill of the haill merchandis of this realme alsweill beyond the sey as on this syde. And to haif deputis vnder thame in the partis beyond sey till punis all thame that attemptis aganis the reulis and statutis of the forsaid fraternite, or the actis of perliament maid or to be maid for the commone weill of merchandis and honeste of the realme, and to execute sic panis apon thame as thai think maist conuenient and as salbe diuisit be the saidis maister counsalouris and membris. And attour, the forsaidis maister counsalouris and membris of the said fraternite and thair successouris sall haif power to imput lift and rais taxtis and extentis greit or small apon the merchandis and at sic tymes as likis thame, and the saidis taxtis and extentis to dispone for the reparatioun of the said Ile, policy of our kirk, and the commone werkis and erandis of the forsaidis merchandis and thair successouris and tryne of merchandis alswell on the partis beyond sey as on this syde, and to punis, rais vnlawis or panis, and distrenye thairfor, as thai think maist honorable and proffitable. And als it sall nocht be leissum to vse nor to cheis the forsaid maister that sall happen tobe for the tyme to beir ony common office of the toun for that yeir, nor to mak na maner of persoun burges nor gild without avis and consent of the said maister of faculte and his counsalouris. And als, gif ony tyme tocum thair be ony priuilegis or fredomis that we or our successouris may gif and grant to thame and thair successouris, the quhilkis ar nocht heir grantit in speciall, the quhilkis salbe desyrit be thame for the tyme is proffitable and honorable to the effect forsaidis, than as now and now as than we bind and oblissis ws be thir our present letteres to gif and grant the samyn in the best and autentik forme that can be diuisit als oft as we be requirit thairto; and als to fortefy supple and help the saidis communite of merchandis gild brethir for the impetracioun of quhatsumeuir priuilege or fredomes thocht to thame proffitable at our Souerane Lord the King, lordis of parliament and

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counsall, gif ony siclike beis that we may nocht gif to thame our self. And attour, becaus the forsaid faculte is thocht sa honorable and proffitable to be had within this realme, we bind and oblissis ws and our successouris be the faithis and treuthis of ouris and thairis bodys, that perpetualy in all tymes tocum the provost president and baillies of this burgh at thair chesing and making of their aithis sall expresly suer and mak faith to keip and caus be kepit to the forsaid maister counsalouris and fraternite and thair successouris all thair forsaidis priuilegis, and all statutis and reulis maid or to be maid be thame and thair successouris for the commone weill of the said faculte, manteine and defend the samyn at our power, and neuir tocum incontrair of thir saidis priuilegis in jugement nor vtouth, vnder the pane of infamite and periure als oft as we cum incontrar the saidis priuilegis; and statutis and nochttheles this our band and gift to remane ay in strenth and vigore. In witnes of the quhilk thingis we haif to thir present letteres hungin our commone sele at Edinburgh the tent day of the moneth of December the yeir of God ane thousand five hundreth and auchtene yeris. Quamquidem literam principalem honorabilis vir Adam Hopper burgensis burgi de Edinburgh ac magister facultatis predicte pergamino scriptam ac sigillo communi burgi de Edinburgh sigillatam in presentia venerabilis et egregii viri magistri Jacobi Heriot canonici Rossensis ac officialis Sanctiandree infra Archidiaconatum Laudonie in ecclesiam collegiatam beati Egidii de Edinburgh loco consistoriali eiusdem solito et consueto pro tribunali sedente, sanam integram et illesam, non viciatam non cancellatam nec in aliqua sui parte suspectam, vicesimo secundo die mensis Junii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo decimo nono, indictione septima, pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Leonis diuina prouidentia pape decimi anno septimo, mihi notario publico subscripto tradidit, perlegendam copiandam et in publicam transumpti formam redegendam humiliter supplicans, quatenus dictus dominus officialis hujusmodi literam sub publica forma transumpti et in forma juris per modum vidimus decernere dignetur; vnde ego notarius subscriptus ex precepto dicti domini officialis in partem perlegi, qua sic perlecta prefatus dominus officialis suam auctoritatem interposuit quod huic presenti transsumpto siue publico instrumento tanta fides adhibeatur publice, tam in judicio quod extra, in omnibus et per omnia, sicut suo originali, per modum vidimus et ita decreuit et mandauit. Superquibus omnibus et singulis prefatus magister facultatis a me notario publico subscripto

sibi fieri petiit hoc presens publicum instrumentum seu publica instrumenta. Acta erant hec consistoriali predicto hora decima ante merediem vel eo circa sub anno mense die indictione et pontificatu quibus supra ; presentibus ibidem venerabilibus et discretis viris magistris et dominis Ricardo Cok, Jacobo Kennedy, Jacobo Huntar, Thoma Maxwell, Willelmo Dik, et Jacobo Stantoun notariis publicis cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis pariter et rogatis. Seal of Cause to Merchants.

Et ego Thomas Foulis clericus Sanctiandree diocesis, publicus sacris Apostolica et Imperiali auctoritatibus notarius, et ipsius domini officialis et coram eo scriba, quia dicte literarum productioni et lecture et eiusdem cum presenti transsumpto collacioni, et prefati domini officialis decreti interpositioni, ceterisque premissis omnibus et singulis, dum sic vt premittitur dicerentur agerentur et fierent, vnacum prenominatis testibus presens interfui, eaque omnia et singula sic fieri et dici vidi scivi et audivi ac in notam cepi, ideoque hoc presens publicum instrumentum per modum transumpti confectum manibus alienis fideliter scriptum exinde confeci, signoque et nomine meis solitis et consuetis vnacum appensione seli et officialatus signaui rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium omnium et singulorum premissorum.

THOMAS FOULIS.

[Which principal letter, written on parchment, and sealed with the common seal of the Burgh of Edinburgh, sound, whole, and uninjured, not vitiated, not cancelled, nor suspect in any part of it, an honourable man, Adam Hopper, burgess of the Burgh of Edinburgh, and master of the said faculty, in presence of a venerable and eminent man, Master James Heriot, Canon of Ross and Official of St Andrews, within the Archdeaconry of Lothian, in the Collegiate Church of St Giles of Edinburgh, sitting in judgment in the usual and wonted consistory of the same, on the twenty-second day of the month of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and nineteen, in the seventh indiction, in the seventh year of the pontificate of our most holy father and lord in Christ lord Leo the Tenth, by divine providence Pope, delivered to me notary-public subscribing, humbly supplicating that it be read, copied, and drawn up in the form of a public transumpt, in so far as the said Official may be pleased to decern that such letter be transumed in public and legal form after the manner of a vidimus. Wherefore I, notary subscribing, by command of the said lord Official, read the letter on my part, which being so read, the said lord Official interponed his authority that to this present transumpt or public instrument, after the manner of a vidimus, as much faith should be publicly attached, as well in court as out of it, in all things and through all, as to the original, and thus

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decerned and ordained. Whereupon in all and singular, the said master of faculty asked the present public instrument or these public instruments, to be made for him by me, notary-public subscribing. These things took place in the foresaid consistory in the tenth hour before noon, or thereabout, in the year, month, day, indiction and pontificate above-written. Present in the same place, the venerable and discreet men, Masters and Sirs Richard Cok, James Kennedy, James Huntar, Thomas Maxwell, William Dik, and James Stanton, notaries-public, with divers other witnesses to the premises called and summoned at the same time.

And I, Thomas Foulis, clerk of the diocese of St Andrews, notary-public, by sacred apostolic and imperial authority, and scribe of and before the same lord Official, because I was personally present, with the before-named witnesses, at the production and reading of the aforesaid letter, and at the collation thereof with the present transumpt, and the interponing of the decree of the foresaid lord Official, and all and sundry the premises aforesaid, whilst they were so said, transacted and done, as is premised, and saw, heard, knew, and took note that they were all and sundry so said and done; therefore, being asked and requested, afterwards executed this present public instrument, drawn up in the form of a transumpt, faithfully written by other hands, and have signed it with my sign and name, used and wont, along with the appending of the Official seal, in pledge and attestation of all and singular the premises.]

December 1518.

Haly Blude Ile gevin to fraternity of the merchants.

(The quhilk day, my Lord Provest, president, baillies, counsall and community hes gevin the Haly Blude Ile to the fraternity of the merchants and gild brethir of this burgh, and thai to be patronis thairof, and the octaues of Corpus Christi to be thair procuratioun dayes. And thairto hes grantit to thame dyvers vther priuileges as thair common seill gevin to thame thairvpoun proports.—*Tr.*)

5 *January* 1518–19.

Frauchting of schips. To Flanders.

The maner of frauchting of schips of auld is in forme following:—

Alexander Lichtman hes lattin his schip callit the Mairtene commonly till fraucht to the nychtbouris of the towne for thair guidis to be furit to Flanders for the fraucht of xix s. gr. and xviij s. gr. the sirpleth of woll and skin, becaus scho is frauchtit in and furth and the better chaip inwart becaus scho is fraucht swa deir furthwart, and this frauchting is maid after the form of the statutes of the towne and act of parliament, the port oppin and the nychtbouris first seruit. —(Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

Solut. xviij s. decano of gildae.

7 *February* 1518–19.

Peronell de Corto has lattin his schip callit the Frances commonly till fraucht to the nichtboures of the towne for thair guid to be furit to the port of Deip in France for the fraucht of xxvj s. and xvj s. the mort chairge frie of all vther chairges except pryme gilt, and this frauchting after the forme of the statutes of the towne and act of parliament, and William Awldioy is becumin souerty for the said skipper that he sall fulfill the statutes of the towne vnder the payne of xl li. To Deip in France. xiiij s. plegio Willelmi Auldioy.

18 *February* 1518–19.

The quhilk day, Tome Mertene of Armuche hes lattin his schip commonly till fraucht till the nichtbouris of the towne for thair guidis to be furit in Flanders, for the fraucht of xj s. gr. and x s. gr. the serpleth woll and skyn and the clayth efferand thairto, and this frauchting is after the forme, etc., *vt supra.*—(Lowse leiffes.) To Flanders. Solut. Patricio Lithqu xx s.

(*Note.*—Sum entressis payis xij s., sum xiij s. iiij d., sum xx s., sum x s., as on the leiffes lowse daittet 1517 may appeir, and be sundry vther lowse leiffis in this bunsche of the daitt fra 1500 to 1520.—*Ibid.*—*Tr.*)

7 *June* 1519.

The quhilk day, Dauid Mailvill yit as of befoir, George Henderson the sone and air of vmquhill James Henderson, Adam Hopper for him and his spous Margaret Baty, the relict of vmquhill Patrick Heriot, William Mele for him and his spous, the air of vmquhill Williame Scheirsmyth, and Edward Thomesoun the sone and air of vmquhill Walter Thomesoun, in presens of the president baillies counsale and communitie, hes frelie gevin ouir and dischairgit thame quite of thair biggings that thai had of the Borrowmure, and siclyke of thair arable aikerris and land lyand thairto but ony clame thairto in tyme tocum for thame or ony vthers in thair name. Borrowmure.

The quhilk day, in presens of the president baillies counsall and communitie, Edward Litill, baillie, in the name and behalf of the haill communitie, protestit that quhatsumeuir persoun quhilk had the outsettis and akeris of the Borrowmure in few of the toun that had nocht fulfillit the biggingis and completit the samyn with barnys killis cowbillis and servandis, with all necessar thingis to Borrowmure.

Borrowmure. mak malt with, efter the forme of the act maid thairvpoun, that the saidis landis and aikeris mycht returne agane to the toune, and the panys raisit contenit in the said act.

8 *June* 1519.

Chepman. Borrowmure. The quhilk day, in presens of the president baillies counsall and communitie, Walter Chepman declarit that he had completit and fulfillit his biggingis on the Borrowmure sufficientlie, with barne kill cowbill and seruitouris for making of malt efter the forme of the act maid thairvpoun, and that he had gottin ane declaratioun of the toun of befoir, and offerit him till preif the same; quhairfore he protestit quhateuer the inqueist aboue writtin did tuiching the said mater of the Borrowmure hourt nocht him nor his land nor akeris of the Borrowmuir and turne him till na preiudice, and for remeid of law quhane and quhair it efferit.

Jhone Levingtoun alledgit siclyke and protestit for remeid.

And siclyke Jhone Andersoun alledgit and protestit for remeid.

And Williame Forsyth alledgit siclyke and protestit for remeid of law.

Williame Rynd allegit siclyke and protestit for remeid of law.

John Rowattis wyff alledgit siclyke and protestit for remeid.

And Sir Jhone Castelaw protestit siclyke for the airis of vmquhill Williame Hopper.

Protestatio. Lauder of Haltoun. The samyn day, Maister James Foulis in the name and behalf of Williame Lauder of Haltoun protestit that quhateuer war done be the inqueist aboue writtin hourt him nocht nor his landis of the Borrowmuir, as air till vmquhill Sir Alexander Lawder his eme, and for remeid of law quhane and quhair it efferit.

Borrowmure. The samyn day, in presens of the president baillies and counsall Mr Francis Bothuell alledgit the proces tuiching the recovering of the landis of the Borrowmure was nocht ordourlie procedit, nor yit the personis occupyaris thairof war nocht personalie summound as thai aucht to be, and for vther syndre causis the proces had na ordour; quhairfore he protestit quhateuir the inqueist did hourt nocht him nor his wyff nor thair landis of the Borrowmure.

Niniane Auchtercraw, in the name of the airis of vmquhill Richart Scott, protestis that quhateuir the inqueist did hourt nocht the said airis and for remeid of law.

The samyn day, in presens of the president baillies and counsall Patrik Lynlithgow seriand of the burgh of Edinburgh swore and maid fayth in jugement, and als previt be his witnes Jhone Broun and Dauid Purves sworne thairto, that he summound lawfullie at the mercat cros be oppin proclamatioun all and syndrie the personis quhilkis had ony entres to the akeris of the Borrow-mure till compeir befoir the toun, till ansuer efter the forme of the precept direct thairvpoun, and thairefter past to all the saidis personis and wairnit thame personallie, ilk ane be thame self, till compeir this day till ansuer efter the forme of the said precept. Borrowmure.

The samyn day, in the actioun and caus persewit be Maister Adam Otterburne as procuratour and in the name and behalf of the haill communitie of the burgh of Edinburgh againis the personis havand possessand or pretendant thame to haif entres to the aikerris of the commoun mure of the said burgh of Edinburgh, till heir and se thame and ilk ane of thame till haif incurrit the pane of xl li., for non-fulfilling of ane act maid in the commoun buikis of counsall of the said burgh the last day of Aprill the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} and x yeiris; be vertu of the quhilk act the personis quhome to the saidis akerris war sett, war oblist to big vpoun the saidis akeris duelling houssis, malt barne, kill and cowbill, and als had convenient servandis for the making of malt, betuix the said day and Michaelmes cum ane yeir thairefter, and failyeing thairof to pay xl li. to the commoun werkis of the toun, and als to pay v li. for ilk aker of thre akeris of the said commoun muir set to thame for the caus foirsaid, and als to heir thame be decernit to haue tynt the rycht gif ony he had to the saidis akeris, becaus thai haue failyeit be the space of iij yeiris continewallie last bypast of the payment of the said annuall, lyke as at mair lenth is contenit in the act and precept of summoundis maid thairvpoun; the foirsaid Mr Adam comperand in the name of the communitie foirsaid, and all personis haivand entres to the foirsaid akeris beand summound be oppin proclamatioun at the mercat cros of the said burgh for this actioun, and ane pairt of thame, that is to say, Walter Chepman, Jhone Levintoun, William Forsyth, William Rynd, the relict of Jhone Rowat, Jhone Andersoun, and Sir Jhone Castellaw for the airis of Williame Hopper, Gavine Auchtercraw for the airis of vmquhill Richart Scot, and Maister James Foulis for the laird of Haltoun, comperand be thame self, and the remanent being oft tymes callit and nocht comperand: Commoun mure.

Commoun mure.

The said mater was put to the knawlege of the personis befoir writtin, quhilkis being sworne in jugement and admittit be the pairtiis, removit furth of court and enterit agane within the samyn, fand and deliuerit that all the personis quhilk had the outsettis and akeris of the Borrowmuir in few of the toun, as the act maid thairvpoun proportis, hes failyeit and nocht fulfillit the said act, nor keipit the caus of the infeftment, and thairfore hes incurrit the panys contenit in the said act, and for non fulfilling of the caussis of the infeftment in bigging of houssis, killis, barnis, cowbillis, and continuall malt making, nor payment of the annuell to the toun. That thairfor the saidis landis ar in the townis handis siclyke as thai war befoir the making of the said act, and that the saidis personis quhatsumeuir and thair successouris had tynt the rychte thairof for evir.

27 *August* 1519.

[Pest. Lanterns. Weapons.]

It is statute and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale that na maner of persouns quhilkis cummis fra suspect places or that is infectit with contagious sciknes of pestilence cum within this burgh in tyme to cum vnder the payne of deid; and at na persouns be fund on the Hie gaitt fra ix houris at evin furth, without ane lanterne or lowatt in his hand, vnder the payne of pvnesing; and at na maner persouns except the officeris beir wapponis on the gaitt fra viij houris furth at evin, vnder the payne of escheitting of thair wapponis, and pvnesing of thair persouns to the rigour but favouris.

Meill.

It is statut and ordanit be the president baillies and counsale that na maner of persouns within this burgh by ony meill in greitt, mair nor will steid his awin hous honestly quhill Michaelmes nixttocum, vnder the payne of banesing of thame of this burgh; and at na meill be howsit quhill iiij houris after none vnder the payne of escheitt; and at na metter mett the said meill bot the bringare thairof to the merkat vnder the payne of banesing.

8 *September* 1519.

Signet letters anent false placks.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis to the prouest and ballies of our burgh of Edinburgh greting: Forsamekill as it is be the lordis regentis of our realme and counsale, deuisit and ordanit, for the refuse that is maid amangis our liegis in taking of plakkis in pament in al tyme cuming; all plakkis that ar strikin be vmquhile our maist nobill fadir of gude mynde King

James the Ferde, quham God assolye, and als in our tyme with avise of our derrest cousing and tutour the Gouernour, be takin reddylie in pament be all our liegis outthrouch all our realme and without ony differcnce nochtwithstanding ony colour or metall thai be of; and becaus thare is diuers traytouris and vntrew liegis, and als vtheris vnfaithfull folkis of vtheris realmes, that has strikin and cunyeit plakkis, fenyeing our cunye, quhilkis has causit the refusing of our richt cunye, it is ordanit that thare be maid certane sercheouris in euery burrowistoun within our realme quhilkis sall haue sufficient power to decerne betuix the richt plakkis and fals plakkis, and quhare thai fynd ony refus of the saidis plakkis amangis our trew liege that thai clip and destroy the fals plakkis and decerne the richt plakkis to haue cours, and quha that refusis to tak the samyn in pament to be punist thairfore to the dede; and that the samyn ordour be obseruit and kepit in all placis to landwart siclike as within our burrowis, and that our liegis to landwart cum to our burrowis to vnderstand the samyn. And gif ony of our liegis that cumis and offeris plakkis for pament of dettis or bying of merchandice or vthir stuf and thare plakkis be fundin fals that thai suffer the samyn be clippit and destroit be the sercheouris; and quha that disobeis and cumis incontrar thairof that thai be reput as pairt takaris with fals cunyeouris and punist thairfore to the dede, and thare names to be gevin to our Justice Clerk be our saidis sercheouris for accusatioun and punitioun to be maid thairupone; and quhare ony fals plakkis are fundin that thai clip thame and deliuer thame agane to the avnaris thairof to mak quhat werk thai pleis of the samyn. And the saidis sercheouris to haue of ilk pund of gude plakkis sercheit be thame to ony personis ane plak for thare laubour to be [pait be the re]ssaueris of the said money according to the act and deliuerance maid [be the] saidis Lordis Regentis thairuppoun. And gif ony of the saidis sercheouris beis fundin culpable or failyeis in executioun of thair office, thai to vnderly ane assis thairfore and to be punist for the samyn to the dede. And according heirto we haue with avise of the saidis lordis maid and ordanit yow togidder with Robert Glen, Alexander Spens, with Robert Forest and Androw Mele, craftismen; and has ordanit that thare be incontinent maid twa choppis of tymmer, ane to be set in the mele merket and ane vther to be set betuix the trone and the fische merket, and in ane of the saidis choppis that the said Robert Glen with ane of the saidis craftismen be daily set, and in the tother chop the said

False placks.

False placks. Alexander Spens and that vther of the saids craftismen; and the saidis Robert Alexander and the saidis twa craftismen ilk ane of thame to haue to thare expensis ilk day that thai sit in the saidis choppis ij s. Our will is heirfore and we charge yow straitlie and commandis that incontinent thir our letteres sene ye as sercheouris forsaidis accept the said office, and with your saidis collegis vse and put the samyne to executioun deuly in all poyntis aboue expremit sa diligently within your boundis that na falt be fundin in yow as ye will ansuer to ws thairapone and vnder the panys forsaidis. Gevin vndir our Signete at Edinburgh the viij day of September, and of our regne the ferde yere.

L. S.

Per dominos Regentes et consilij, etc.

10 *November* 1519.

Defence actioun. Arrane. The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsall and kirkmaisteris hes deuysitt and ordanit, for the commoun weill of this toun and defence of the nychtbouris of the samyn, and specialie for the defence of this actioun and debait happinit betuix my Lord of Arane and the toun, that thair be ane gratitude taken of the personis inhabiteris this burgh that may pay the samen without hourt according to thair substance at the discretioun of the provest baillies and counsall.

19 *November* 1519.

[Anent the privileges of Edinburgh against Leith.] All indwellaris of the town of Leyth, and utheris our Soverane Lordis liegis, being unfremen, may on na wayis buy wyne, walx, victuellis, irne, tymber, lint, pick, tar, or ony uther stapill gudis inbrocht or cumand be strangeris in at the port of Leyth, or ony uther port within the fredome of Edinburgh, unto the tyme that the merchandis and maisteris of the schipis cum to the officiaris of the burgh of Edinburgh, and enter thair gudis in the toun buikis; and thairefter the comptroller, thesaurer or utheris the Kingis officiaris takand als mekle of all sic gudis as sall be necessar for our Soverane Lordis awin proper use allanerlie, not abydand upon making of pryces thairof; the officiaris of the said toun makand pryces conform to the actis of Parliament and lawis of the realme; and then the comptroller and thesaurar and uther officiaris foirsaid to pay as the prices ar maid, and our Soverane Lordis liegis to have thair partis of all sic gudis of the samin pryce maid be the officiaris and na derrer. Item, na indwellar of Leyth na unfremen, sall buy keyling hering selchis, sal-

mond or uther fishe cumand within the port of Leyth, or ony uther port within the fredome of Edinburgh, or salt or peill the samin, nor send the samin away to Ingland and uther places, except the Kingis comptroller, quha may tak samekle of the premessis and use and dispone the samin in manner foirsaid, as is necessar to the Kingis use allanerlie. Item, the indwellaris of the toun of Leyth, nather fremen nor na uther unfre persounis, may mak mercat of ony maner of gudis within the fredome of Edinburgh, bot within the said burgh allanerlie. The toun of Edinburgh contra the toun of Leyth. Anent the privileges of Edinburgh against Leith.

20 *November* 1519.

Archibaldus Douglas, prepositus.

The quhilk day, forsamekle as the provest Archibald Douglas hes, for the commoun weill of this burgh and defence of the fredome thairof, takin vpoun him quhair money can nocht now be redy be had of the commoun guid to outred the commoun erandis and chairgis that are now to be borne in the defence of the actioun and mater movit be my Lord of Arrane aganis the toun, he to mak the first payment on his expenssis, thairfor thai haue constitute that quhat resonable expenssis that the said provest with avys of the counsall makis in the saidis erandis, that the samyn sall be refoundit to him agane be the toun of merchantis quhilkis may bere the samyn vnhurting thame refound the samyn be the taxatioun of the counsall, and nane of the craftis to be chairgit thairwith considering thai haue takyn of thair fre will till beir vther neidfull chairgis in this meter. Provest expenssis. Villa.

22 *November* 1519.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall ordanis the watter baillie till wayt vpoun the entering of all schippis cummand in at the port of Leyth, and se that na wyne tymmer nor vther stuf be sauld quhill it be enterit, and price maid, and the Kingis grace and the toun first seruit, and gif ony guidis beis sauld or tappit by this statute that he put the samyn vnder arrest to the townis challenge. Watter baillie. Entering of schippis.

10 *January* 1519–20.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis, for resonable caussis moving thame, that na maner of nychtbour nor indweller Scolemaister.

Scolemaister. within this burgh put thair bairnis till ony particulare scule within this toun bot to the principall grammer scule of the samyn, to be techeit in ony science bot allanerlie grace buke prymar and plane douatt, vnder the pane of x s to be tane of ilk nychtbour that brekis or dois in the contrair heirof, and als oft but fauouris, to be applyit to the maister of the said principall scule for the tyme.

21 *February* 1519–20.

Mandatum Gubernatoris. That nother Hammyltoun nor Dowglas be provest. The quhilk day, my Lord Glenlus and Maister Thomas Hay, secretare to my Lord Governour, comperit in jugement and declarit to the provest baillies and counsall that it was my Lord Gouernouris mynd that nane of the name of Dowglas nor Hammyltoun sould bruke the office of provestry within the toun of Edinburgh, and thairvpoun schew my Lord Governouris writtingis of the quhilkis the tenour followis: Gif it be questioun of this erand of Edinburgh it is my avis and haill resolutioun and will that ye command it swa in my name that quhill my hamecumming and for this yeir thair be maid ane vther provest that be nocht of the name of Hammyltoun nor Dowglas, and thair at I abyde, and that he be ane man of gude and sekyr, and that ye name thame thre, of the quhilk thai cheis ane and will that allanerlie be thir presentis ye command baith the ane pairtie and the vther, in my name, and that this be done incontinent on the first day, and gif itt be neidfull, command thame of the toun and to the provest that is now till do swa, and that be the Kingis aduocat, or be my secretare or harrald of armys gif it be neidfull, for sa I will be of resoluit mynd to that effect, that thair be na pairteis in the said toun, and that thai man gang and travaill sekirlie on that ane syd and the vther. And be vertew of the saidis writtingis requirit and chairgit the said provest to ceid his office, and nychtbouris of this toun to cheis ane vther provest efter the forme of the saidis lettres as is contenit in the samyn, and askyt his ansuer thairvpoun; with the quhilk chairge the said provest said he wald avys and gif his ansuer thairto.

27 *February* 1519–20.

Anent the pennye custome of France. The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsale and communitie of merchantis, forsamekle as thair is restand awand to Patrik Govane, Williame Castell, Alexander Neilsoun and Jhone Scott, the sowme of iiij^{m} frankis or thairby debursit be thame in the townis name for the doun getting of xij d. the frank,

for the payment of the quhilk sowme the merchantis of this toun ar hevelie vexit molestit and troublit, quhairfore the provest baillies counsall and communitie of merchandis hes consentit deuisit and ordanit that thair be vj personis sworne to tax the men of guid and nychtbouris of this said toun that ar of substance, to the nummer of iiij^{xx} or j^{c}, to lend the sowme of iij^{m} franks for yeir and day, to the outredding and payment of the foirsaid sowme, quhilk sowme being debursit, the foirsaid communitie of merchandis ar contentit that thair be ane taxt put vniuersaly vpoun thame efter the ische of the said yeir, for outred and payment of the saidis personis that happynnis to lend the said money, euery ane for thair awin pairt; and als constitutis that the commoun seill be gevin, oblisand the communitie of merchantis for the payment of the foirsaid sowme to the saidis personis as said is thair taixt to the quhilk the foirsaidis personis that sould be devysit to lend the said sowme alwayis beand allowit to thame in payment of the sowmes debursit be thame seueralie for thair awin pairt. Penny custom of France.

The samyn day, forsamekill as my Lord Glenluis and Mr Thomas Hay, secretare to my Lord Governour, schew befoir the provest baillies counsall and communitie of merchantis that my said Lord Governour thocht it necessar that thair sould be ane stapill in the pairtis of Flanderis, quhair that Scottis merchantis mycht resort and haif ordour amangis thame, siclyke as vther natiouns hes, and desyrit that the said communitie of merchandis wald for thair pairt declair quhilk of thir thre townis, that is to say, Camfeire, Myddilburgh, or Byrges, ar maist convenient to the said stapill; with the quhilk desyre the saidis merchandis being avysit, the men of gude of the toun for the maist pairt than beand present thocht the toun of Myddilburgh maist convenient toun to be thair stapill, swa that vther borrowis of the realme wald repair thairto siclyk as the inhabitaris of this toun, and thai haifand siclyke priuelegis as wes grantit of befoir, and as salbe deuysit to be desyrit at the said toun. Stapill, Flanderis Merchandis.

30 *March* 1520.

Robertus Logane de Coitfeild, prepositus.

The quhilk day, in presens of the ballies and counsall sittand in jugement, George Gude, send fra my Lord Chancellar, declarit how that it wes my Lord Chancellaris will and mynd and that he was content that the toun sould cheis Chancellar. Provest. Arrane.

Chancellar. Provest. Arrane.

ony nychtbour of the samyn quhame thai plesit till be thair provest, and als declarit that my Lord of Arrane said he sould nocht cum within the toun quhill my Lord Chancellar maid ane finall concord betuix him and the nychtbouris thairof.

3 *April* 1520.

Pestilence. Barnis of the Borrowmure.

The quhilk day, forsamekle as it is vnderstand that this contagious seiknes of pestilence spreddis yeirlie, throw the repair of infectit personis quhilkis ar ressait within the hous and barnis of the Borrowmure, quhairfore the provest baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis that all maner of personis quhilkis hes ony entres to the saidis barnis and houssis that thai incontinent tak doun the ruffis thairof, remoif all the tymmer werk of the samyn within xx dayis efter the Feist of Pasche nixttocum, and within vther xx dayis thairefter till remoif all the stane werk of the samyn, with certificatioun and thai do it nocht within said space the toun will caus the samyn till be removit.

26 *April* 1520.

Thesaurare. Provest. Halbertmen.

The provest baillies and counsall ordanis James Barroun, thesaurare, till content furnis and deliuer till iiij men oulklie quhill Michaelmes, till pas with my lord provest with halbertis for stanching of inconuenientis that may happin within this toun this troublis tyme, to ilk persoun on the day xvj d, quhilk being furnist and payit salbe thankfullie allowit till him in his comptis, keipand this precept for his dischairge and warrand.

10 *May* 1520.

Suplicatioun Baxteris.

The quhilk day, the kirk maister and the laif of the maisteris of baxteris gaif in thair supplicatioun desyrand the toun till gif thame liceance till tak of ilk laid of breid or flour thame come to the marcat ane penny, quhilk the toun wald nocht grant.

19 *May* 1520.

Buithis wodsett.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsall and dekynnis of craftis consentis that the aucht over buthis of thair Tolbuith on the north syde be laid in wodsett vpoun the sowme of ix^{c} and iij^{xx} frankis vnder ane reuersioun, and to be redemit within yeir and day efter this nixt terme of Witsounday; and the

provest baillies counsall and communitie of merchandis ar oblist and standis content to be bound to the haill communitie vnder the commoun seill for redemyng of the saidis buithis within the said terme. Buiths. Wodsett.

The samyn day, the provest baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis thir personis vnderwritten quhilk hes promeist till len money vpoun the commoun buthis, viz Jhone Adamesoun, elder, Maister Frances Bothwell, Michaell Makquhen, Williame Rynd, Alexander Andersoun, James Aikman, Henry Wilsoun and Jhone Wicht, elder, till compeir on Mononday nixttocum till mak and tak sesing of the saidis buthis. Lent money Personis.

23 *May* 1520.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis Margaret Atkynesoun till desist and ceis fra all maner of selling making or tapping of walx mader within the toun of Leyth, and ordanis hir till fynd souertye thairvpoun, and to remane still in the Tolbuith quhilk scho fynd the said souertye. Dischairge Selling walx in Leith.

9 *June* 1520.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis, with consent of the tavernaris and dekynis of craftis, that na maner tavernar tap nor sell ony claret wyne or quhyt wyne fra the morne at none furth darrar na for vj d. the pynt, vnder the pane of stryking furth of the puntioun heid, and inlykwayis statutis and ordanis that na maner brouster nor dry tapstare sell ony aill within this burgh na for xx penneis the galloun fra this viij dayis furth, vnder the pane of the vnlaw als oft as thai happin till mak falt. Statute, Wyne, Aill.

14 *June* 1520.

The provest baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis that Symon Ker by na maner of woll in the mercat in tyme tocum bot sa mekle as he will wirk in his awin hous, vnder the pane of banesing the toun, becaus he patt him in the townis will of the bying of woll and selling to Frenchmen and to vther townis. Ker. Bying of woll.

27 *June* 1520.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis that the commoun pynouris of this toun haif for thair labouris, for ilk pak of woll Commoun pynouris fee.

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lattin out of the loft, cairtyng and weying of the samyn, iiij d., and of ilk serplarth takyn furth of the loft, carting and weying vj d., and gif thai refus to labour of this pryce, it salbe lefull till ony nychtbour till tak ony vther pynour that will work and mak the saidis labouris of the pryce foirsaid, and that the servand to the tronar sall haif for his labouris in the weying of ilk polk and sek ourheid iiij d.

9 *August* 1520.

Gristis. Mylnis Baxteris.

The quhilk day, the prouest baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis that the statute maid befoir tuiching the ordour of the grynding of the gristis be the baxteris in the commoun myllis be put till executioun in all poyntis, and ordanis James Wardlaw, now fermorair of the saidis mylnis, of his awin consent, the thesaurare and vther fermoraris intromettouris with the saidis mylnis, in tyme tocum till haif power till put this said act till executioun, and to tak vp the vnlawis thairfor conforme to the said act, and to mak compt and reknyng of the ane half of the said vnlaw to the kirk werk, and the vther half thairof to him and thair awin vsis; and James Wardlaw maid fayth in jugement that he sould lelelie and trewlie obserue and keip the premissis, and put the said act till executioun but fraude or gyll, and als John Stewart commoun seruand in the said mylnis hes maid fayth.

Vnlaw. Wyne selling in Leith.

The samyn day, the provest baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis Williame Forsyth to content and pay to the dene of gild, for reparatioun of the kirk, the sowme of v li. for the selling of his wyne opinlie in the taveroun in Leith the setting furth of the singis, becaus he confessit the samyn and put him in the townis willis thairof.

22 *September* 1520.

[Seal of Cause to the Walkers, Shearers, and Bonnet-makers.]

Till all and sindry quhais knawlege thir present letteres sall tocum the provest ballies and counsall of the burgh of Edinburgh greting in God euerlesting, wit ye ws till haif ratifiit and apprevit and be the tenor of thir present letteres ratifiis and apprevis ane contract gevin in and present befor ws in jugement be the dekin and kirkmaster of the Walkaris and Scheraris maid with avise and consent of the personis contenit in the samyn, of the quhilk contract the tenor efter followis:—At Edinburgh the penult day of the moneth of Maij the yeir of God ane thousand five hundreth and tuenty yeris proportis and beris witnes that it is appoynctit concordit and fynalie endit betuix richt worschip-

full men, that is to say, Williame Steill, kirkmaster, Johne Yoile, James Home and Williame Gibsoun, with all the laif of the maisteris and brethir of the Walkaris and Scheraris within the fredome of the burgh of Edinburgh beand present for the tyme on that ane part, Johne Lauson, Andro Gardum, Andro Auld, William Homyll, Thomas Dryburgh, Robert Talyefeir, Johne Wan, Johne Dalrumpill, the spous of Jonet Watson, William Rogeir, Thomas Henrisoun, Agnes Yorstoun, the spous of James Williamsoun for thameself and for the laif of the craft of Bonetmakaris vsand merket and fredome of the said burgh of Edinburgh apone the tother pairt, in maner, forme and effect as eftir followis, that is to say;—In the first, to the loving of God the glorius virgine Marye and the halie ewangelyst Sanct Mark, the fornemmyt personis bonetmakaris of thar awin fre willis for reparatioun of halikirk and devyne seruice to be done for thame at the altar of Sanct Mark, and for the commoun weill of this gud burgh grantis and oblissis thame faithfully till content and pay oukly to the reparatioun of the said altar ilk ane of thame ane penny to be ingatherit by thame self in ane box, thai haiffand ane keye thairof and the kirkmaster or ane vther maister of the Walkaris and Scheraris till haif ane vthir keye siclike for lele and trew compt till be maid of all thingis ilkane till vtheris as efferis; and quhen it sall happin the chaplane that dois devyne seruice at the said altar till cum for his mete amangis the saidis Bonetmakaris ilkane of thame to perfurnis the said chaplane his met sicklyk as the saidis Walkaris and Scheraris dois, and quhair it falyeis in his meit to be gevin till him aucht penneis that day to his wage. And gif sua beis that ane of thame may nocht gudlie perfurnis the said chaplane, in that cais it salbe lefull till tua of thame till fulfill and do the samyn als aft as it sall happin him to cum about to thame. And als the said Bonetmakaris till pay thar vpsettis and prentischip siluer to the said craft of Walkaris and Scheraris and to thar said altar, and that to be modifiit and considerit be ane pairt of the best of baith the saidis craftis; and to be gevin to the reparatioun and vphaldin of the said altar. And inlykwis the said kirkmaster and brethir of the said craft of Walkaris and Scheraris within the fredome of this burgh sall walk and caus thar seruandis to walk thar bonettis quhilk thai wyrk and bringis to thame or to thar said seruandis als weill and bettir than thai war done in tymes bygane and of the samyn price. And attour the said kirkmasteris and brethir of the said craft of Walkaris and Scheraris bindis and oblissis thame that nothir thai na thar

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seruandis sall nocht walk ony maner bonettis to na bonetmakar bot gif the man or woman, quhat thai be, haif lerit the said craft of bonetmaking. Alsua, the saidis Bonetmakaris promittis faithfully till serch and seik ilk merket dayis gif thar be ony bonettis maid to sell of quhite or vthir colouris of wob yarne or wrangius gottin yarne or woll, and gif thar be ony apprehendit to be escheitit to the vphaldin of the said altar. And als the said Bonetmakaris send with thar saidis bonettis ane seruand for to se that the samyn be weill done. And ilk persoun of thame sall mark thar bonettis be thame self as efferis. Attour the saidis kirkmaster and masteris of the said craft of Scheraris and Walkaris faithfull bindis and oblissis thame till fortefy and manteine the saidis Bonetmakaris in the optenyng and getting of the act of the gude toune vnder thar seill of caus apone thar awin expens. Alsua, the saidis personis bonetmakaris promittis to the said kirkmaster and masteris of the Walkaris and Scheraris that thai sall do thar vtyr power and diligens till inbring all the laif of thar craft in all gudly haist for to fulfill and obserue the premissis as thai do in all thingis without fraude or gyle to the vtilite and proffit of the said alter. And the said kirkmaster and masteris of the said craft of Walkaris and Scheraris bindis thame to the said personis bonetmakaris to mantene supple and defend thame in all thar honest and leifull actionis, and to supple thame with thar mortclaith and all vther necessar thingis of thar said altar quhen myster is, thai fulfilland the premissis in all thingis. Alsua, the said kirkmaster and masteris of Walkaris and Scheraris promittis that thai sall nocht walk nor thoill thar seruandis nor prentyssis to walk bonettis to na bonet makar at thar sex myllis, bot the man or wif be of the said craft, nor at na vther myll at thai may stop or lat. And ilk bonetmakar wyrkand at thar awin hand as ane maister sall pay for thar vpset thretty shillingis to thair awin box and to the vtilite and proffit of the said altar; and for ilk prentys vj s. viij d. And gif ony truble or debait happinis amangis ony of the saidis craftis, thai till meyne the samyn amangis tham self in cheritable maner saffand the priuilegis pertenand to the toun. Item, gif ony of thir ij craftis and pairtiis aboue wryttin brekis till vtheris in ony poynt of the premissis, the craft brekand till pay ten pundis als aft as thai sall faill, to the reparatioun of thar said altir of Sanct Mark. To the fulfilling of the premissis and euery poynct tharof ather of the saidis partiis and craftis abon wryttin ar bundin and oblist till vtheris be the faith and treuth in thar bodiis, the halye Ewangellis tuichit but fraude or gyle. In witnes of the

quhilk thing to thir present letteres we haif hungin to our common seill of caus of the said burgh, at Edinburgh the xxij day of September the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} and tuenty yeris. [Seal of Cause to the Walkers, Shearers, and Bonnet-makers.]

6 *October* 1520.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis that in all tymes tocum the mercat for the selling of aitis and hors corne be halden at the govis aboue the Tolbuith stair on the south syde, and that na maner of stabillar nor vtheris within this toun by ony maner of aitis or horse corne cummand to this toun vpoun hors bakkis nor vtherwayis, vnto the tyme the same be presentit in to the said mercat, vnder the pane of escheiting thairof fra the byar, and that nane pas outwith the Bow as to the stok cors or vther places to mett the said corne cummand to the said toun and by the samyn vnder said pane. Mercat. Hors corne.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsall and kirkmaisteris, in the name of the haill communitie, hes grantit and gevin to the provest ane hundreth merkis of the commoun guid, by the ordinar fie, [for] the sustentatioun of iiij seruandis till beir halbertis with him for this yier tocum, becaus the warld is brukle aud trublus, and that it is necessar to haif seruandis with him becaus he walkis him self in proper persoun the tyme of this contagious seiknes of pestilence, and als becaus the warld is trublus, and thairfore it is neidfull that the provest haue seruandis with wapponis till stope all troublis and evill; and the saidis baillies counsall and kirk [maisteris] ar oblist and suorne in jugement that thai sall mak na preperatiue in tyme cumming nor gif the said sowme to na vther provest, without the toun haue inymetie of outland lordis, and haif sic troublis as is now instant. Halbert men. Provest.

18 *October* 1520.

The quhilk day, it is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies counsale and confraternitie of Sanct Anthone that James Prestoun, Jhone Adamesoun younger, Andro Dicksoun, Thomas Cuke, with the maister of the facultie, pas fra this tyme furth quhare ony strangear cummis with wyne of thair awin aventur and by the haill hoip of the said wynis, or samekle as plesis thame, and mak competent price thairof, and that the samyn wyne be ewinlie deuidit and delt amangis the haill confraternitie and tavernaris of this toun of the samyn price as beis maid first be thame, efter the forme of thair auld actis, and quhen Statuta vini.

Statuta vini. the saidis strangearis makis thair entres of the saidis wynis in the townis buikis, that the personis aboue written forgather with the saidis strangearis and mak the price of thair said wyne within this toun of Edinburgh and nocht in Leith: and that nane of the tavernaris wyffis, nor wemen seruandis, pas to Leith in tyme to cum till waill, sey, or by ony wynis vnder the pane of the vnlaw contenit in the auld actis maid thairvpoun of befoir; and thir personis aboue writtin till haue for thair labouris viij d. of ilk twne wyne, and ordanis that all the nycht-bouris and tavernaris that hes brocht vp ony wyne fra Leith of thir last schippis vnmaid and tabillit as said is, that the samyn be had done agane to Leith incontinent, thair to be tabillit amangis the laif of the wyne ewinlie delt amangis the saidis confraternitie and tavernaris as is aboue writtin, vnder the pane contenit in the auld actis of Sanct Anthone.

23 *October* 1520.

Pro Henrico Lille. xxiii die mensis Octobris anno etc. xx, hora 3ª post merediem, indictione ix, pontificatus Leonis Pape decimi anno viii°: Personaliter comparuit honeste persone, viz. Henricus Lille ex vna, Willelmus Watson et Katerina sua sponsa, partibus ab altera: The quhilk personis war content that Johne Vaiche, goldsmyth, Alexander Elphinston, and Thom Sanderson, prise this geir vnder-wryttin, viz. a belt of siluer ouregilt weyand vi vncis quhilk thai prist the vnce to xv s.: Item ane ring of gold weyand iii quarteris of ane vnce prisit to vii lib. as it cummys to the vnce: Item iii govnis ane of rowane tanny, ane vther of stottis blak, and ane of rycht russat, ilkane of the thre prisit oureheid to xl s.; the hall sovme extendis to xv lib. xv s.: The quhilk geir this beand prisit, the said Henry Lille deliuerit till the said William Watson and Katerine his spous, and the saidis William and Katerine oblissis thaim faithfully thair airis executouris and assignais till keip, freith, warrand, relief the said Henry harmeles and skaithles his airis executouris and assignais of the said geir at all handis now and for euir, and promittis till pay all expenses that euir it sall happin the said Henry to susteine thro the said geir and deliuering thairof to tham ony maner of way in tym tocum, et desuper dictus Henricus petiit instrumentum: Acta erant hec infra burgum de Edinburgh in botha mercatoriale dicti Henrici: Testibus dominus Robertus Lille et Willelmo Brovne capellanis, et Stephano Bell cum diuersis aliis.

5 *December* 1520.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall consentis and grantis the ground and place of the Greynsyde to the Freris Carmelitis now beand in the ferry for thair reparatioun and bigging to be maid, the Kingis mortificatioun and liceance being had, togidder with the Bischope of Sanctandrois liceance obtenit, the saidis freris doand suffrage thairfore as salbe deuysit be the counsall of the toune, and the quantitie of the said land and ground to be lynit and boundit be the toun, and Sir Thomas Cannye chaiplane thairof constitute thairto. Carmelett freris. Greynsyde.

19 *January* 1520–1.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsall and communitie consentis and grantis till gif thair commoun seill to the contract to be maid be the toune to my Lord Hammyltoun efter the forme of the act maid be the lordis thairvpoun. Commoun seill. Contract Hammyltoun.

5 *February* 1520–1.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsall communitie and dekynis of craftis grantis and consentis that the hundreth pundis promittit be the toun to my Lord Erle of Errol for the office of Constabularie deputt be tane of the commoun guidis becaus it concernis the commoun weill, and ordanis ane precept to be maid and direct to the thesaurare for payment to be maid thairof as efferis. Villa. Erroll. Constabularie.

27 *February* 1520–1.

[The provost, bailies, and council granted a seal of cause to the websters, of this date, in the same terms as that dated 31 January 1475-6 [*antea* p. 33], with the following exceptions, viz., (1) The payment of "twa merkis" appointed by the former seal of cause to be made by each man admitted to "occupy the craft as for mastere," was changed to thirty shillings; and (2) the following clause was inserted immediately before the last sentence of the former seal of cause.] Seal of Cause to websters.

And now becaus the communite of the wobstaris walkis wardis extentis and beris all vther commoun chargis within this tovne, and the outland wobstaris duelland vtouth the fredome of this toune takis werk of the nichtbouris and wynnyng tharof and beris na chargis within this tovne; tharfor that ilk out-wobstar to landwart cummand within this toune and takand the stuf tharof till weif sall pay ilk oulk ane penny, quhilk is bot small valour, to

Seal of Cause to websters.

vphald the diuine seruice at the said altar situat within the said College Kirk of Sanct Geill, to be ingatherit be the dekin and kirkmasteris of the said craft for the tyme to the vphaldin of diuine seruice at the said altar.

13 *May* 1521.

Beggaris. Closetts.

The provest baillies and counsale statutes and ordanis that all maner of beggares, men and wemen, that ar habill persouns to wirk and lawbour for thair leving, devoyde and red this towne and boundis thairof within thre dayes heirafter, vnder the payne of birning of thair cheiks and banesing of the towne for all the dayes of thair lyfe; and als that all maner of personis indwellares in this towne clenge all filth of saiges and vther filth befor thair lugeings within thre dayes heirafter, vnder the paynis of viij s. to be tane of thame that fallis heirintill but favour, with certificatioun that the provest and baillies will putt this act and statute till executioun incontinent heirafter.

27 *May* 1521.

Banist Pestilence.

The quhilk day, Bessye Symourtoun recentlie tane with certane infectit geir of this contagious seiknes of pestilence, hydand the samyn vnder treis at Williame Foularis clos fute, for the quhilk caus scho wes decernit to be brint on the cheik and banist this toun endurand the provest and baillies will.

5 *June* 1521.

Villa.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall renuncis and dischairgis the gift that thai had gevin till Sir Michaell Dysert of Sanct Duthas altare of before situat within the College Kirke of Sanct Geill, and all that followit thairvpoun, and the samyn till be of nane availl force nor effect in tyme cumming.

Banist.

The samyn day, Besse Broun is for her demerittis banist the fredome of Edinburgh and Serefdome of the samyn, be the authoritie of the provest and baillies and of Edward Kincaid seref deputt of the said serefdome, induring thair will, and nocht tocum thairintill in the meynquhill vnder the pane of birnyng of hir on baith hir chekis.

16 *July* 1521.

Pro Roberto Gray.

Decimo septimo die mensis Julii, anno Domini etc. xxi, hora 3ª post meridiem, indictione ix, pontificatus Leonis Pape decimi anno ix°, personaliter accessit

honestus vir Robertus Gray, filius et heres quondam Alexandri Gray burgensis burgi de Edinburg, ad personalem presenciam Roberti Logane prepositi dicti burgi, et ibidem dictus Robertus Gray protestatus est prout sequitur in vulgari:— [On the seventeenth day of the month of July in the year of God etc. 21, the third hour after noon, the ninth indiction, in the ninth year of the pontificate of Pope Leo the Tenth, an honest man, Robert Gray, son and heir of the deceased Alexander Gray, burgess of Edinburgh, went to the presence of Robert Logan, provost of the said burgh, and the said Robert Gray protested as follows, in the common tongue.] I Robert Gray, in presens of you notar publict, sais and declaris to Marion Brovn spous till Hew Douglas that this ground apon the quhilk scho intendis to big pertenis to me heretablie, as I haif schawin till hir diuers tymes. For the quhilk I requyr hir to mak na biggin therapon, and gif scho dois the contrar heirof that the said biggin pertene to me without refoundin of ony expensis, and heirapon I ask instrumentis. And attour the said Robert allegit that the said land quhilk the said Marion intendis to big was awand till him v merkis of annuell yerlie sen the field of Floudon, and protestit that he mycht haif payment thairof and remeid quhen and quhar it efferit, et petiit instrumentum: Testibus Roberto Logane de Coitfield preposito, Adam Stewart, Waltero Chepman, Eduardo Litill, Francisco Touris, Johanne Irland, Johanne Con, Johanne Tait, Waltero Lokart, et Willelmo Brown, and this was done befor the said land upon the hie street.

Pro Roberto Gray.

20 *July* 1521.

xx° die mensis Julii anno Domini etc. xxi, hora xii, indictione ix, pontificatus Leonis Pape decimi anno ix°, In presens of the provest ballies and consall, the lard of Congilton comperit, and in the name of the lardis of Bass and Wauchton desyrit at the provest ballies and consall to declair to him how thai wald behaif thame tuiching the resisting of the Kingis rebellis and brokin men that was to cum to the tovn to my lord of Angus, and declarit that the saidis lardis and himself war redy till obey the Kingis lettres and fulfill the samyn in all poynctis, and therapon askit instrumentis.

Pro villa et domino Congilton et Magistro Scole de Leith, penes defensionem domini regis et ville.

The quhilk day, the provest ballies and consall ansuerit and said to the said lard of Congilton in the tovnis naim that quhat tyme and how son the baronis cummys to this tovne of Edinburgh that thai sall vse thair counsall in the resisting of the Kingis rebellis and brokin men the best way thai kan for

Pro villa, etc. defence of the Kingis grace his castell and tovn, and therapon the provest askit instrumentis, and this was done in the Tolbuth befor thir witnes, Maister Robert Galbrath, Adam Stewart, Adam Otterburn, Vincent Strathauchin, with other diuers.

xx° die Julii hora 3ª post merediem indictione vt supra: The maister of the gramer scule of Leith callit schir [*blank*] allegit and said that hiddertillis he was redy at all tymes efter his power till resist aganis the Inglismen and the Kingis rebelles, and as yit offerit him redy till resist the Kingis rebelles and brokin men and Inglismen at his vtter power, and protestit for remeid and help, et petiit instrumentum. Testibus vt supra.

Pro villa. xx° die mensis Julii anno etc. xxi hora xii. The provest baillies counsall and communite offerit thame redy till resist the Kingis rebellis and tratouris with thare bodiis at thare vtter power, for saifte of the Kingis person his castell and toun, sua that the baronis wald assist to thame efter the forme of the Kingis lettres direct to thame therapon, et desuper prepositus petiit instrumentum. Testibus Johanne Creichton, Henrico Creichton, et domino Thoma Maxwell.

Pro dominus de Lestalrig et Craigmillar et Innerleith. xx° die mensis Julii anno etc. xxi° hora v post merediem. The lard of Lestalrig and the lard of Cragmillar, ilkane of thaim for thaim self, offerit thaim redy till resist the Kingis rebellis at thair power, for saifte of the Kingis persoun castell and toun, efter the forme of the Kingis lettres direct to thaim thairapon, and to concur with the toun, and thairfor protestit that quhat danger cum thairthrow na thing mycht be imput to thaim becaus thai offerit thaim redy till fulfill the King and the lordis commandis, et desuper petierunt instrumenta. Acta super montem castri. Testibus, domino preposito ville, magistro Adam Otterburn, Jacobo Preston, Johanne Irland, et Georgeo Home, Alexander Spens, Francisco Touris.

Schir Alexander Touris of Innerleith protestit siklik.

Pro villa. The quhilk day, the provest ballies and consall offerit thame redy till resist the Kingis rebelles with thair bodiis and gudis at thair vtter power, for safte of the Kingis person his castell and toun, et petiit instrumentum. Testibus prescriptis.

xx Julii hora quarta post merediem. The lard of Wauchton for him and the lard of Bass protestit that sen thai war commandit be the Kingis lettres till cum to this toun till resist the Kingis rebelles, and at thair collegis baronis of the cuntre war nocht redy as thai war, and as the lordis promittit to thaim, as thai allegit, that therfor na perell mycht be imput to them, et dominus Wauchton petiit instrumentum. Testibus, preposito balliuis et communitate. Pro villa et baronibus penes defensionem domini nostri regis et ville.

The provest baillies and consall requyrit the lard of Wauchton and the lard of Bass that thai and thair folkis suld remane still in the tovn, and quhat part thai wald tak anent the resisting of the Kingis rebellis the tovne suld tak the samyn and pas with thaim, et prepositus petiit instrumentum. Testibus, magistro Roberto Galbrath et Vincentio Strathachin.

The lard of Wauchton in his naim and the lard of Bass offerit thame till do within the toune as thai war requyrit to be the Kingis lettres and out of the toune thai suld do syklyk as vtheris baronis wald do, et petiit instrumentum. Testibus vt supra. Acta in pretorio.

21 *July* 1521.

xxi die mensis Julii anno etc. xxi hora vii post merediem indictione ix pontificatus Leonis Pape decimi anno ix°. In presens of me notar publict and thir witnes vnderwrittin thir personis viz. Master Adam Otterburn, Nichol Carncors, Eduard Kincaid, James Preston, Johanne Dauidson for him and Francis Spottiswod his gud son, Richart Cristeson dekin for him and in the naim and behalf of his craft of fleschouris, and Johne Stevinson fleschour, ilkane be thame self offerit thame redy with thar bodiis till manteine and obey our Souerane Lord the King in the defending of his person castell and tovn of Edinburgh, and offerit thaim with thair bodiis till defend the samyn in the resisting of rebellis and tratouris, and disassentit ony maner of way to the takin doun of the ii heidis of the chalmerlane and his brother of the Tolbuth end, and protestit ilk ane be thaim self that quhat danger damage or scath cum thair throw in tym to cum that na danger nor scath mycht be imput to thaim nor thair heretage in tym to cum, et petierunt instrumenta pro se. Acta erant hec prope archum inferiorem. (These things were done near the Netherbow.) Testibus Vincencio Strathauchin, notario publico, Johanne Smyth notario, Henrico Pro Magistro Adam Otterburne et aliis convicinis burgi.

Pro Magistro Adam Otterburne, etc.

Tulleis, Jacobo Dykson, Roberto Cowan, Johanne Dykson, Jacobo Strang, Thoma Blakbeid, Thoma Wauchop.

7 *February* 1521–22.

Aque balliuus.

Quo die Willelmus Clerk electus est aque balliuus communi voce.
(The which day, William Clerk was elected water baillie by common voice.)

21 *March* 1521–22.

Materis. Commoun weill. Kirk.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis Adame Hopper dene of gild, James Prestoun, Nicholl Cairnecros, Jhone Adamesoun younger, Michaell Makquhen, Jhone Marioribankis, and Williame Adamsoun younger, till forgather ilk Fryday, and sitt in the Tolbuith or any vther place quhair thai pleis, ane hour, vpoun the materis concerning the commoun weill of thair kirk, and avys and mak fremen and gild brether, and to compone with thame as thai think caus, and till do all vther thingis concernyng the commoun weill of the said kirk and toun as efferis.

2 *May* 1522.

Vnlaw wyne selling.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall ordanis the officeris of the toun till pass poynd and distreuye George Henrisoun and Andro Vddart, ilk ane of thame for xl s., for the selling of thair wyne for xij d. the pynt; failyeand that the saidis officeris poynd nocht for the samyn, thai to pay the saidis soumes of thair awin pursis, to be applyit efter the forme of the actis maid thairvpoun of befoir, viz. the ane half to Sanct Gelis wark and the vther half to Sanct Anthonis altar.

14 *June* 1522.

Lordis lettres. Villa. Comprising of landis.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall sittand in jugement, wairnit and requirit Robert Mortoun and his spous, at the command of our Souerane Lordis lettres, being personalie present, till analie for the toun for the commoun weill thairof xxiiij futtis of the north pairt of thair yaird vpoun ane competent pryce, conform to the saidis lettres, and maid intimatioun to thame that gif thai wald nocht analie the saymn as said is that thai wald proceid and apprys the saidis landis efter the forme of the saidis lettres, and in presens foirsaid the said Robert and his spous ansuirit and refusit and said thai wald nocht analie the said land na maner of

way; quhairfor the saidis provest and baillies, at the command of the saidis lettres direct to him thairvpoun, namit and chesit thir personis, viz. James Prestoun, Gilbert Lauder, Nicholl Carncros, Jhone Marioribankis, Robert Brus, and Edward Kincaid, quhilk personis thai ordanit to be wairnit till compeir vpoun the ground of the said land to morne efter none till apprys the samyn, and ordanys the said Robert and his wyf personalie present till compeir to morne as said is vpoun the said land, till heir and se the saidis persones sworne till apprys the saidis landis instantlie to the maist availl, conforme to our said Souerane Lordis lettres direct thairvpoun. Villa. Comprising of landis.

Alanus Stewart, *prepositus*.

9 *January* 1522–3.

The quhilk day, the provest counsall and dekyns of craftis decernis and ordanis and als statutis and ordanis, for sessing of varience and discorde amangis the fermoraris of thair commoun myllis and the baxteris of this burgh, and for keiping of gude reull amangis thame, that in tyme tocum the mylleris till haue the haill gyding and reull of the mylnis, and that na baxter temper nor haue ado with the mylnis in tyme tocum aganis the myllaris willis; and gif it happinis the myllaris ony way to spill ony stuf that thai grynde of the saidis baxteris, in thair defalt, the stuf being sufficient, the fermoraris to pay the samyn to the baxteris that beis hourt, and gif the stuf be nocht sufficient, that the myllaris of the commoun myllis refus it and suffer nocht the samyn to be put in the hopper to grynd, and als that all the myllaris of the commoun mylnis be sworne vpoun the halie Evangelistis for grynding of the saidis baxteris gristis lilelye and treulie, nocht allanerlie for the proffeit of the saidis fermoraris but als weill for the proffeit of the saidis baxteris, and attour it is ordanit deuisit and statute be the baillies counsall and dekynis of craftis that thair be ane day lymit in the oulk to the fermoraris, viz. Setterday, to grynd malt in the new mylne alanerlie, nochtwithstanding that thair be quheit reddye to grynde in the samyn, and efter that the said malt be ground in the said mylne that the saidis fermoraris caus to mak and graith the said mylne sufficientlie at all pointis, swa that the quheit that beis ground efter the said malt be na way spilt thairthrow, and gif thair happinis ony skaith tocum to the said quheit that beis ground efter the malt as said is, the fermoraris till refound and pay the skaith thairof to the awneris of the saidis quheit, and this to be obseruit and keipit in all tymes tocum. Fermoraris. Millaris. Baxteris.

14 *January* 1522–3.

Villa. Vnlawes of sic as refussis to serue the baillies being warnyt.

The baillies and counsall ordanis that quhat persoun beis warnit till pas with the baillies for the honestie of this toun, and comperis nocht, that thai pay xviij s. for his vnlaw vnforgevin, quha euer be that falis.

24 *January* 1522–3.

Pro villa et Leith.

xxiiii^to^ die mensis Januarii anno Domini j^m^ v^c^ xxii°, pontificatus domini nostri Adriani Pape sexti anno primo, indictione xi^a^, hora quasi xii^a^. The quhilk day, in presens of richt reuerand nobill and michti lordis sittand in cessione, Master Adam Otterburne, common clerk of the tovne of Edinburgh and prolocutour for the samyn, producit ane charter and infeftment vnder our Souerane Lordis grete sele, King James the ferd of nobill mynd quham God assolye, to the inhabitantis within the samyn giffand thame powar till persew all personis brekaris of thar fredome within the tovne of Leith, and to pvnes thame conforme to the actis of parliament, and gif thai disobey it salbe leifull to the said toune to mak convocatione of our Souerane Lordis legis, and to poind and distrenye thame thairfoir, conforme to the actis of parliament, and inbring the tane half tharof to our said Souerane Lordis vse, and the tother half to be appropriat be the inhabitantis of the said tovne of Edinburgh for the edificatione of thair kirk and cómmon wele of the samyn, the quhilk conuocatione sal nocht be accusation nor crime to thame. And mad oppin intimacion of the said charter be my lord bischop of Aberdene in stattis to the controller, Dauid Falconer, Edward Cockburn, John Ker, and vther diuers beand present, induellaris of the said tovne of Leith. Testibus, Johne Foular notario publico, Willelmo Brovne heraldo, magistro Willelmo Johneston, magistro Roberto Gawrath, [cum] multis aliis.

The communite of the toun of Edinburgh aganis the town of Leith.

Robert Bertoun of Ouerbertoun comptrollar askit instrumentis that he producit ane respect grantit to him be my Lord Gouernour and to vtheris for the spaice of xix yeris fra the dait of the said respect, quhilk ilk is the xxij day of October the yer of God j^m^ v^c^ and xxij yeris, respectand him and thame all and sundry thair landis rentis possessionis takkis stedingis stor placis grangis woddis lowis fischingis housis biggingis tenementis croftis, &c. malis fermis, &c. corn cattell familiar seruandis tenentis factouris procuratouris and intromittaris, &c. in the law and by the law, as is contenit in the samyn at

lenth, and that nochtwithstanding his said respect, he wald nocht accept it in the mater betuix him and the town of Edinburgh, protestand that he mycht haue it admittit in vther actiounis. The community of Edinburgh against Leith.

Maister Adam Ottirburne, in name and behalf of the haile communite of the toune of Edinburgh, askit instrumentis that Robert Berton grauntit that he had coft salmond fra the bischop of Aberdene and pakkit the samin in his cellar within the toune of Leith.

Patrik Baroune, ane of the ballies of Edinburgh, askit instrumentis that Robert Bertoune and the remanent of the persouns of Leith denyit that thai had failyeit in ony poynt of the decrete gevin aganis thame sen the geving thairof, and that he grauntit he was in vse of bying of sic gudis.

Maister James Wischart, forspekar for Robert Bertoun and the remanent of the induellaris of Leith, than protestit thai mycht haue the decrete gevin aganis them at the instance of the communite of the toune of Edinburgh retretit for sic causis as thai wald libell for the reductioun.

The said Patrik Baroune askit instrumentis that the said Robert denyit that thai had brokin ony punct contenit in the said decrete sen the geving thairof.

Patrik Baroune, balye forsaid, askit instrumentis that Maister Adame Ottirburne in name of the hale communite of Edinburgh producit ane infeftment vnder the grete seile maid to thame be our Souerane Lord of gud mynd, quham God assolye, gifand thame power to persew the brekaris of thair fredome and to execut the actis of parliament apoun thame and tak thair eschete, and gif neid beis to mak convocatioun of our Souerane Lordis lieges to that effect, quhilk salbe na accusatioun to tham, and to deliuer the tane half to our Souerane Lord and the tother half to the edificatioun of thair kirk and commoun wele of the toune, and that thai had maid intimatioun to the said Robert Bertoune and to the novmer of xxiiij vther persouns induellaris in Leith beand personalie present before the Lordis.

James Logane, in the name of the town of Leith, askit instrumentis that he offerit him to preif that the induellaris in Leith has bene ay in vs in bying of prisis cumand in to the port of Leith.

The community of Edinburgh against Leith.

The said James, in the name of the Lard of Lestalrig and toun of Leitht, protestit that quhat war done betuix the town of Edinburgh and thame be the saidis lordis sald turn thame to na preiudice.

George, Abbot of Halyrudhous, inlykwys protestit that quhat war done betuix the saidis partiis suld turn the Halyrude to na preiudice.

Anent oure Souerane Lordis letteres purchest at the instance of the induellaris of the toune of Leith aganis the provest balies counsale and communite of Edinburgh, that quhar thai haue bene in continuall vse and possessione of bying and selling and vther wayis intrometting with men of weir that cummis in thair Firth and to by fra thame sic prises and gudis in thame as alienaris happenis to bring in in tyme of weir, and now laitlie thai haue bocht ane pur prys of Ingland taken be Franchemen as thai war wont to do: Neuirtheles the said provest baillies counsale and communite has purchesit letteres chargand the said induellaris in Leith to decist and ceis fra intromissione with the said prys and gudis in hir and to arest the samin, allegand that that thai haue ane decrete aganis the saidis induellaris in Leith and vtheris that thai sald nocht pak nor peile, nor mak commoun merchandice with merchandis quhill the merchandis enter thair merchandise in the bukis of the toune: In the quhilk decrete thair is na word nor mentioun maid of prisis tane be weir men; and als gif ony pley sald happin to rys thairupoune for ony gudis tane be men of weir thai materis pertenit ay to the admirall and na vther juge; and thairfore the said provest balyeis counsale and communite to produce the saidis letteres to be sene and considerit gif thai war procedit of justice or nocht, like as at mair lenth is contenit in the letteres thairupoune. The said induellaris of Leith comperand be Robert Bertoune, comptrollar, Dauid Falconar, Edwart Cokburne, Johnne Kerr, Johnne Logh, thair procuratouris and with Maister James Wischart and Robert Lesly, thair forspekaris; and als Allane Stewart, provest of Edinburgh, Maister Francis Boithuile, Maister James Lawsoune, Patrik Baroune, and Edward Litle, baillies of the samin beand personalie present for thameself with Master Adame Ottirburne thair procuratour for thame and in the name and behalf of the hale counsale and communite of the said burgh of Edinburgh thair rychtis resouns, etc. The Lordis of Counsale decretis deliueris and decernis the letteres purchest be the said provest ballies counsale and communite of Edinburgh aganis the said Robert Bertoune, comp-

trollar, David Falconar, Edward Cokburne, Johnne Ker, Johnne Logh, and the remanent of the persouns induellaris in Leith to be ordourelie procedit in all punctis, becaus thai ar past conforme to the act and decrete gevin be the Lordis of counsale at Edinburgh the xvj day of Nouember the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} and xviij yeris thairupoune; and ordanis the samin to be put to executioun as efferis; and also decernis the pris schip and gudis now laitlie taken be the Franchemen and brocht in the havyn and port of Leith to be comprehendit in the said first decrete, and that the said Robert Bertoune comptrollar and remanent of the persouns induellaris in Leith, byaris and intromettouris thairwith, has done wrang in the bying of the said schip and gudis, and thairfor sall decist and ceis thairfra, and lnlikwis fra bying of all vther just prisis and gudis being thairin in tyme tocum. And efter the forme of the said first decrete, except allanerlie the how and prisoneris that sall happin to be taken and brocht into the said port of Leith; and sall restore and deliuer to the said provest ballies counsale and communite of the town of Edinburgh the saidis gudis being within the said prise intromittit with be thame, And letteres to be direct in this mater in the ferd forme, conforme to the letteres past heirupoune in the first secund and third formes deuly execut and indorsat, shewin and producit befor the saidis lordis. The community of Edinburgh against Leith.

Comperit Robert Logane of Restalrig knycht, for him self and in the name and behalf of his toune of Leith and induelleris thairof, protested that quhat euir is done in this mater in contrar him and his said toune suld turne thame to na preuidice, the King beand in his nonage, becaus thai offerit thame to preif that thai war in vse of bying of sic prysis quhilk thai intend to persew quhen tyme is.

27 *February* 1522–3.

The quhilk day, the baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis that fra this day furth quhat nychtbour fremen of this toune that beis present quhane ony vther nychtbour makis ony merchandice or bargane with strangearis in bying of ony merchandice in Leyth or vther place, and he desyre ane pairt thairof, that he sall haue it of the pryce as the bargane beis maid, he payand his pairt of the money promittit for the merchandice incontinent as the pryce beis maid thairvpoun. Statutum. Merchandice. Strangearis.

20 *March* 1522–3.

Seal of Cause to Baxters.

To all and sundrie quhaise knawledge thir present letteris sall to come, the provest baillies and councill of the brugh of Edinburgh, greeting in God everlasting. Witt your universities that ther compearit before us counsally gatherit within the Towbuith of the said brugh our lovite neighboures and towne burgesses, viz. George Foulis, Walter Scott, George Gibson, David Gillaspie, William Wilkieson, Robert Rodger, Johne Maider, Henry Scot, Alexander Heriot, Andrew Simson, Michael Gibson, James Baird, James Scot, John Fallsyde, Johne Black, Archibald Bartillmo, Johne Bartillmo, James Gillaspy, Edward Thomson, Andrew Boyss, Arther Mowbray, and Michael Lochmyll, kirkmaisteris, and the laif of the maisteris of the baxter craft within the brugh, and present thair supplicatioune till us, makand mentione that the facultie and power they had of before upon the guid guyding and reule of thair said craft was destroyit, and our seal of cause tane thairfra be negligent in time of troubill, and thairfore desyrit the samyne newlinges againe to be granted for the honour and lovage of Godis service at thair altar of Sant Cubart, situat within our Colledge Kirk of Sant Geille within our said brugh, and for the common profeit of the neighboures thairof conteinand this effect. In the first, that na persounes presume them to be maisteris of the said craft to baik thair awin stuffe to sell without they be first prenteis, syne burges, and thairafter examynit be the maisteris of the said craft, fundin able, and admitit thairto, and syne thairefter till pay thair dewties as uthir craftis dois within this brugh; and also that the said kirkmaisteris and brether of the said craft choise them ane sufficient chaplane at thair pleasure to make devyne service at thair said altar of Sant Cubart, upon ane competent pryce as they can agrie with the said chaplane, sicklyke as uther craftis dois within the said burgh; and that ilk brother of the said craft furnish the said chaplane orderly as he sall happin to cum about to theme; and quhen any persones of the said craft happens to be chargit to forgather with the kirkmaisters and principal maisters af the said craft to treit upon the common weill and profyte thairof, and absent thame but rationabill cause, that persone to pay ane pund of wax to Saint Cubarts light at thair said altar; and also quhatever he be maister of the said craft that beis apprehendit bakand falss and rotten stuff, or insufficient to sell again to our Soverane Lordis liegis, sall pay ane pund of wax to thair said altar the first tyme, and for the

secund falt two pund of wax, and gif he beis overtane in the third falt he and his bread sall be brocht before the provest and baillies, and they to punish him thairfore as sall be thocht expedient with the avise of the kirkmaister and worthiest of the said craft as effeirs: Item, that quhatsumever persounes of the said craft happens till disobey the kirkmaister and the worthiest uthir persounes forgatherit with him of the said craft for the honour and common weill thairof sall pay fourty shillings to Saint Geilles wark, and twa pund of wax to Saint Cubarts altar as said is; Item, that na maister of the said craft sall take ony childer in service thairat ane or mae fra this tyme furth but gif they be prentices and pay thair dewties as effeirs, and that na baxter take nor resset ane uther manis servand of the said craft under the payne of fourtie shillings to Saint Geilles wark, and twa pund of wax to Saint Cubarts licht, or else to be expellit frae the occupatioune thairof. Item, anent the flour baiks and fadges that cumes fra landwart into this toune to sell, that they may be examit upone the guidnes of the stuffe and weicht for the toune weill sycklyke as thair stuff is, sua that gif they be nocht fundin conformand in guidness and weicht, with the avise of the officiaris and maisteris of the said craft that they be destroyit, and nocht to repair with syklyke stuff in tyme thairefter sen this caiss standis baith for the common weill and common profeit of our mylles, and also that they micht have facultie and priviledge yit as of before to make statuts and reules for the guyding of thair said craft in honestie, and for the common weill of the said toune, accordand till equite and reasoune. With the quhilkis desyres we beand diligentlie avisit has considerit the samyn and fyndes them conformand to the honour and lovage of Gode and this gude toune and common profeit of our Souerane Lordis liegis repairand thairto, we ratiffie and confirme the samyn in all effect above written. In witnessing of the quhilk thing to thir our present letteres we have gart append our commone seal of cause of the said brugh at the samyn the twentie day of the moneth of March the year of God ane thousand fyve hundreth twentie and twa yearis. Seal of Cause to Baxters.

21 *March* 1522–3.

The quhilk day, in presens of the baillies and counsall sittand in jugement, the dekyne and maister of the baxteris of this burgh producit thir statutis vnder writtin and desyrit the baillies and counsall till interpone thair authorits to the samyn, quhilkis efter followis; The haill bodye of the craft of baxterie Statutes. Baxteris. Mylnis.

Baxters. Milns.

hes statute and ordanit anent the keiping of thair rowmes in the commoun mylnis and to keip thame self furth of troubill in tyme tocum, that quhair ony maister of the said craft hes quheit in diuers mylnis, the first mylne that he gryndis on he sall pas and tak furth the laif of his quheit, quhat mylne that euir it be in, and grynd all togidder vpoun that mylne, and gif he takis it nocht furth, it sall kep na rowme and nocht to be ground quhill his nixt rowme cum about; and this thai ar all to do content for the keiping of thame self fra trouble and for guid concord till be had amangis thame; and alswa thai haif statutt and ordanit that na maister of the said craft that beis gryndand vpoun the mylnis sall grynd till ony vther persoun mair than ane batche, and that to quhat persoun he plessis, and nocht ellis bot gif he lyke himself, and gif he gryndis ony mair till ony persoun than ane batche he sall tyne his rowme at that tyme without ony fauouris; and alswa thai haue statutt and ordanit that quhair ony maister takis multer quheit he sall grynd the said multer quheit becaus it is rowme fre, and als mekill mair till it; and this thai ar all content till do for the weill of thair craift swa that thai mister nocht till plenye daylie befoir the guid toun. The quhilkis statutis the baillies and counsall thinkis consonant to resoun, and thairfore ratefeis and approvis the samyn in all poyntis, and ordanis the samyn to be obseruit and keipit amangis the maisteris of said craft in all tymes to cum.

3 *June* 1523.

Parroche clerkschip.

The quhilk day, in presens of the baillies sittand in jugement Mr James Haliburtoun, procuratour for Mr Archibald Tod, resignit and left the benefice of sacristanrye and parroche clerkschip in the handis of the baillies counsall and communitie, as patrones thairto, in fauouris of Sir Robert Hopper be way of permutatioun and nane vtherwayis.

30 *July* 1523.

Cariage. Kingis army.

The quhilk day, the baillies counsale and communitie and dekynnis of craftis ar content to perfurnis at thair power hors of cariage to our Souerane Lordis army, to cary mete and drink and victuall thairto, and ar contentit that the baillies, with Robert Brus, Jhone Adamesoun, Williame Adamesoun, George Lethe, Thomas Adamesoun, and William Raa, pas and commoun with Monsieur Grossellis and the ambassatour to the samyn effect.

The quhilk day, the baillies and counsall ordanis all the maisteris of the baxter craft till content and pay to the fermoraris thair mayne multer, that is to say, of ilk iiij laid that thai brek aboue ane pek of mayne flour, and gif thai brek les to pay na thing as vse and consuetude hes bene. Fermoraris multer.

The samyn day, the baillies and counsall ordanis all the maisteris of the baxter craft, and all baxteris within this burgh, till baik thair breid sufficientlie and weill dryit, the twa d. laif weyand x vncis fra this tyme furth, vnder the pane of tynsall of thair fredome and escheiting of thair breid that dois in the contrare, and to be merkit with thair irnis as abefoir vnder the said payne. Baxteris breid.

5 *December* 1523.

The provest baillies and counsall statutes and ordanis, and als commandis chairgeis all the browsteris within this burgh that thai fynd sufficient souerty that thai sall nocht brew nor tap darrer aill fra this tyme furth na for xx d. the gallowne, and ij s. the derrest, vnder the payne of xlviij s., and gif ony brek the first falt that the said payne be tayne, and gif thai failyie ony mair that thair lwmes be brokin and destroyit. Aill browsteris.

9 *January* 1523–4.

Forswamekill as Helene Bayne that heir standis is notourly kend ane commoun regrater, and will nocht forbeir, and now laitlie this day apprehendit byand eggis and brokin the statutes of the town, quhairfore the provest baillies and counsall banissis hir this towne induring thair willis, and nocht to cum thairin quhill scho obtene licence vnder the payne of deid, and to devoyde within xxiiij houris, and als the provest baillies and counsale commandis and chairges that na maner regraters be fundin brekand the statutes within this towne fra this furth vnder the said payne of banissing, and at na buirdis nor standis be fundin on the Hiegaitt fra this tyme furth with cheis eggis butter vnder the payne of escheting. Regratours banist.

9 *August* 1524.

The quhilk day, the baillies counsale communitie and dekynnis of craftis decernis and ordanis, and als thinkis expedient for the commoun weill of this gude toun, and all our Souerane Lordis lieges reparand thairto, that all the Fleschouris.

Fleschouris. fleschouris quhilk vssis the land mercat, fremen and vnfremen that duellis within this toun, haif full fre faculte and licens till slaa thair stuf nolt and scheip within thair awin houssis that thay pay maill for on Setterday and vther dayis neidfull, and to sell the samyn commonlie in the mercatt till all our Souerane Lordis lieges on the tua mercat dayis lymmyt thairto, viz. Sounday and Monunday allanerlie, without onye stop or impediment to be maid to thame thairfore be the fleschour craft or vtheris in thair names in tymes to cum; and ordanis that the act maid to the said craft of fleschouris the ix day of October the yeir of God j^{m} iiij^{c} lxxxxvj yeris haue na strenth force nor effect in tyme to cum, because it wes vnderstandin that the samyn wes maid and is aganis the commoun weill and proffit of this gude toun.

13 *August* 1524.

Fleschouris. The quhilk day, the prouest baillies and counsale ordanis that Jhonne Stevinsoun fleschour, or the chaiplane of the said craft, pas at all tymes with ane officer of the toun throw all the vnfremen of the said craft and serch and seik thame gyf thay sell thair stuf in thair houssis or ony vther places of the mercat dayis lymmit to tham, and certifie the toun thairof, and iustice salbe ministrat to tham, and gyf onye of the said vnfremen steikis thair durris wilfullie sua that thay may haue na entres to serche thame as said is, it salbe lefull to the said officer beand with thame to mak oppin durris and nocht be the fleschouris for till vesy and se gyf thair be ony sic stuf in thair houssis to sell of the said merket dayis.

18 *August* 1524.

Mandatum Regis. Provest baillies counsall and communitie of our burgh of Edinburgh, we pray and als chairgis yow to gif firme credence in our name to our familiar seruitour aduocat and justice clerk Mr James Wischert concernyuyng the office of the said procuratorie and bailyereis, and that ye do as he sall thairin schaw yow in our name. Subscrivit with our hand at our Palice of Halieruidhous the xviij day of August instant.

Mr Frances Bothuell at the command of the king left his office of provestrye. The quhilk day, Maister James Wischert justice clerk till our Souerane Lord the King, declarit be his credence in presens of the provest and counsall that it wes the mynde and will of our said Souerane Lord that the provest cedit and left his office of provestrie in the townis hand, and that in presens of the

counsall and men of guid, Maister Francis Bothuell provest, at the command and will of our Souerane Lord the King, cedit and left his office of provestrie in the townis hand, protestand that the leving of it swa be na dirogatioun nor hourt nocht the priuelege of the toun, and thairvpoun askit instrumentis. Witnes the laird of Glen, Mr Adame Ottirburne, Mr James Lawsoun, Mr James Haliburtoun, Gilbert Lauder, James Dickesoun. Mr Frances Bothuell at the command of the king left his office of provestrye.

The samyn day, Mr James Weschert in presens of the baillies counsall and communitie requirit and als chairgit thame in our Souerane Lord the Kingis name that thai sould cheis my Lord Maxvell thair provest, and als chairgit the said lord beand present that he sould accept the said office of provestrie.

Robertus dominus Maxwell effectus est burgensis et conceditur gratis. Prepositus.

Quo die nobilis et potens dominus Robertus dominus Maxwell de mandato Supremi Domini nostri Regis electus est prepositus burgi de Edinburgh communi voce.

[Robert Lord Maxwell is made burgess, and it is granted gratis.

On which day the noble and potent lord, Robert Lord Maxwell is, by command of our Supreme Lord the King, chosen provost of the Burgh of Edinburgh by the common voice.]

19 *August* 1524.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies counsall and communitie ordanis all the nychtbouris of this burgh craftismen and vtheris till forgather in thair best array, bodin for weir, at Monenday or ony vther day neidfull till pas with my lord provest to mak the Kingis Grace seruice, and to convene at the Netherbow vnder the pane of ane vnlaw; and alsua ordanis thame to be reddy boddin for weir at all tymes quhane neid is, and forgather hastelie betuix the Tolbuith and the mele mercatt at the clynk of the commoun bell, till awayt vpoun my lord provest for the stanching of truble gif it sall happin, vnder the pane of ilk persoun that beis away of escheit of all thair guidis. Statutum ville.

6 *September* 1524.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutes and ordanis that na maner of nychtbour nor induellar within this burgh call nor summoun ane vther befoir the officiall in the consistorie for na actioun nor mater that may Villa actioun officiall.

Villa actioun officiall.

be decydit befoir the provest and bailies, and specialie for na materis that concernis the commoun guid of the toun, bot all sic materis be callit befoir the provest and baillies, and that na actioun pas to the consistorie bot thai causis that concernis the priuilege thairof.

29 *October* 1524.

The water baillie of Edinburgh.

The water baillie of Edinburgh may hold his courtis upon the schoir of Leith, under the stair of the Kingis wark.

24 *January* 1524–5.

Skynneris standis

The quhilk day, the president baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis all the maisteris of the skynneris that ar fremen within this toun till haue thair standis and place vpoun the mercat, other at the nether end quhair thai stand now or at the over end as thai pleis, and that thair be ane passage betuixt thame and the vnfremen of the brede of ane stand, that nane of the vnfremen molest nor truible the fremen nor seruandis in na tymes tocum, bot till hald and bruik thair places and standis lymmit to thame bot any impediment.

4 *February* 1524–5.

Baxteris. Fermoraris.

The quhilk day, the president baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis that the auld actis maid betuix the baxteris and fermoraris of the mylnis anent thair mete corne laidis and multer thairof be keipit and put till execution in all poyntis, sua that thai require the fermoraris thairwith yeirlie in dew tyme, and gif the saidis baxteris or ony of thame can preif that thai requirit James Wardlaw or Adame Bell the tyme thai war fermoraris to grynd thair said

Meit corne laid.

mett corne laidis in dew tyme, and that the saidis fermoraris refusit the saymn, in that caus thai ordane the saidis fermoraris to pay safar as thay can preif, vtherwayis thai decerne the said fermoraries quyte thairof, and als thai ordane the saidis baxteris to pay the mayne flour to the saidis fermoraris as vs and wont hes bene in tymes bygane, and siclyke to gif thair aithis vpoun the stuf grund fra the saidis myllis at out myllis, and that nane be fre for half multer at the said myllis exceptand allanerlie the Kingis stuf.

20 *February* 1524–5.

The quhilk day, in presens of the president baillies and counsall the fermoraris of the mylnis, viz. Henrie Cranstoun, Henrie Lillie, and Jhone Harvie, maid fayth that thai had maid expenssis vpoun the standand graith of the commoun mylnis in stra, scowis, rauchteris, lyme, sande and werkmanschip the sowme of x. merkis, quhilk sowme the said president baillies and counsall constitutis and grantis to be allowit and defalkit to the saidis fermoraris in thair latter quarter. Defalcatioun. Fermoraris.

25 *February* 1524–5.

Item, It is statut and ordanit that forsamekle as the lordis of counsale and vtheris, our Souerane lordis liegis resortand and reparand to the toune of Edinburghe, may be invadit, persewit, or troublit be evil avisit persounis being in the Castell of Edinburgh be schot of gvn, that thairfor the capitane of the said castell suffir na gunnis to be schot furth of the samin to the hurt, damnage, or skaith of ony of our Souerane lordis liegis, nor that he suffir nane of the artilyery gunnis, pulder, bullettis, or vther municiouns now being in the castell forsaid to be remufit furth of the samyn to ony vther place bot be the avise and command of the lordis chosin of counsale, vnder the pane of tresoune: And that na gunaris pas to the castell of Edinburgh without command and charge of the saidis lordis, vnder the pane of deid. Tuiching the capitane of the Castell of Edinburgh.

4 *March* 1524–5.

The quhilk, day the provest baillies and counsall ordanis William Andersoun till compeir befoir thame on Tyesday nixttocum for coloring of vnfremenis guidis as he sall be accusit thairfor, vnder the pane of tynsall of his fredome. Asys. Coloring of vnfremennis guidis.

28 *March* 1525.

The quhilk day, is statute and ordanit be the provest baillies and counsall, with the consent and assent of the maisteris and skipperis of Leyth, that in tymes tocum all the saidis skipperis and awneris at the frauchting of thair schippis or thai depairt fynd sufficient souerteis and cautioun vnder the pane of xl li. that thai ressaue na man within thair schippis to saill in merchandice, nother in France Flanderis nor vtheris pairtis, without thai haif writting subscriuit with the commoun clerk of this toun or his deputtis, gevand thame licence for to Statute. Sailling. Merchandis.

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saill, and that the commoun clerk nor his deputtis gif nocht this writting without thai haif command thairto be the sersouris ordanit and deput for the samyn, or be the maist pairt of thame; quhilkis sall be the maisteris of the frary, the dene of gild thesaurair of the toun Jhone Adamesoun, Jhone Irland, Nicholl Cairncors, and Williame Adamesoun.

Anent personis that sellis merchandice on the Hiegaitt.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis that na maner of persounis burges man or vtheris sett ony geir vpoun the Hiegaitt, in buith durris, commoun passagis, or outwith thair buith durris or windois to be sauld, exceptand it sall be lefull to haue on the gait, or outwith thair buithis, geir to sell on the merket day, quhilk is maid within the realme, vnder the pane of viij s. als aft as thai be tane butt fauouris: quhilk vnlaw the seriandis sall haue power to vplift and rais to thair awin vs, and gif the seriandis failis in the executioun of this statute thai to be depryuit of thair offices for euir.

11 *October* 1525.

Grenesyde and gevin sasing thairof be the guid toun.

The quhilk day, in presens of the provest baillies and counsall sittand in jugement, Sir Thomas Kanny, chaplane of the place and kirk of the Rude of the Grenesyde, resignit the said place and deliuerit the keis of the samyn in the provest handis in fauouris of freir Jhone Malcolmesoun pro marerall [*sic*] of the ordour of the freiris Carmelytis and thair successouris, and incontinent thairefter the provest with avise of the baillies and counsall deliuerit the keyis of the said kirk and place of the Grenesyde to the said freir Jhone Malcolmesoun; and ordanis ane baillie till pas and gif the said freir Jhone and his successouris institution and possessioun of the said place.

20 *October* 1525.

Anent fraucht-ing of schippis.

The quhilk day, it is statut and ordanit be the baillies and counsall for the commoun weill of all the merchandis and Sanct Gelis werk, that in tyme tocum na schippis be frauchtit bot in the Tolbuith befoir the provest and baillies and counsall, vnder the pane of fyve li. to be tane of ilk persoun that frauchtis the saidis schippis, and vther fyve li. to be tane of thame that lattis the said ship to fraucht.

21 *October* 1525.

The quhilk day, the baillies and counsall ordanis Andro Vddart, fermorar of petit customes and wyld aventouris of Leyth, till pas and intromett with the wad or ony vther geir beand vpoun the schoir of Leith as he alledgit vnentrit in the townis buikis, to be disponit as the toun thinkis expedient. Escheit. Venentreit geir.

26 *October* 1525.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis that na maner of persoun tavernour and vther nychtbour of this burgh sell nor tap wyne in thair taverne or houssis darrer nor for xij d. the pynt, vnder the pane of escheting and deling of thair wyne but fauoris; and als ordanis ane officer to pas to Leith and dischairg all maner of personis in Leith fra ony bying or tapping of wyne in thair houssis, with certificatioun and thai do in the contrare heirof that the toun will putt the Kingis lettres and proces of hornyng till executioun vpoun thame without fauouris. Statutum. Wyne selling.

1 *December* 1525.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall hes considerit and sene all the preceptis direct to the fermoraris of the commoun mylnis, and fyndis Henry Cranstoun and his collegis fermoraris forsaid restand *de claro* to the toun the sowme of foirscoir xij li. vij s. xi d., and thairof the provest baillies and counsall for certane causis moving thame, and for greit skaithis and expenssis sustenit be the saidis fermoraris, remittis and dischairgis the said Henrie and his collegis of the sowme of xx pundis, and swa restis behind awand *de claro* to the toun the sowme of iij scoir xij li. vij s. xi d.; quhilk sowme the said provest baillies and counsall ordanis the said Henry to content and pay to the gude toun in this maner, viz. x li. to the prebendaris of Corstorphin for thair pensioun and annuell of the Witsounday terme last bypast, and xx li. to Alexander Mauchane in pairt of payment of the rest awand to him the tyme he was thesaurare, and the remanent of the haill sowme extending to xlij li. vij s. xj d. thai ordane to be payit to the dene of gild to the kirk werk; quhilk haill sowme being payit in maner foirsaid the provest baillies and counsall dischairgis the said Henry and his collegis thairof for now and evir. Fermoraris. Villa.

Thesaurare. Custome.

The samyn day, the provest baillies and counsall ordanis James Jhonestoun till content and pay to the thesaurare of the toun for the custome of vj polkis of woll quhilk he laid in Jhone de Pounys schip Frenchman vj s., becaus it wes vnderstand that the said Frenschman buir the aventoure of xvij^{xx} x frankis of the said woll.

Donatio altaris Sancti Eloyii per prepositum et balliuos patronos ejusdem.

The quhilk day, in presens of the provest baillies and counsall sittand in jugement, Maister James Dowglas, procuratour for Maister Thomas Forbes, speciallie constitute vnder the forme of instrument vnder the signe and subscriptioun manuall of Sir Jhone Smyth, notare publict, and resignit puirlie and simple the said Maister Thomas altarage at Sanct Eloyis altar, situat within Sanct Gellis kirk, in the handis of the provest and baillies as in the handis of the patronis thairof, efter the tennour of the mandat of resignatioun maid thairvpoun; the quhilk resignatioun the saidis patronis admittit as vse is in sic caissis, and incontinent thairefter the said provest and baillies admittit and gaif the said chaplanrie and seruice till Sir Dauid Frissell chaplane, to be bruikit be him efter the tenour of the fundatioun, and ordanit ane baillie till pas and gif him institutioun at the altare as vs is.

1525.

Setting the gait dichting.

The gaitt-dichting and dewteis thairof is sett for this yeir in to cum with the aventure of deid and weir to Alexander Pennecuik for the sowm of xxviij li. with the escheatt of the middings, and he to haif his grayth and seruands for the clengeing of the gaitt all tymes.—(Amangs the lowse leiffis of the Rental Buik, anno 1525.—*Tr.*)

27 *January* 1525–6.

[Remission for insurrection.]

Jacobus Dei gracia Rex Scotorum: Venerabili in Christo patri ac consiliario nostro dilecto Georgeo abbati monasterii nostri Sancte Crucis nostri secreti sigilli custodi salutem: Quia nos cum auisamento autoritate et consensu secreti consilii nostri dominorum, per tres regni nostri status in perliamento nostro ad hoc electorum, considerantes bonum fidele et gratuitum seruitium nobis per dilectos nostros prepositos balliuos consules et communitatem burgi nostri de Edinburgh a tempore obitus quondam nobilessimi patris nostri bone

memorie cuius anime propitietur Deus impensum: necnon dampnum ingens tribulationem et quorumdam magnatum indignationem quod et quas nostro seruitio perpessi sunt. Ex gratia nostra speciali remisimus generaliter et in genere preposito balliuis consulibus et totali communitate eiusdem nostri burgi et ipsorum cuilibet eundem burgum nunc actualiter inhabitandorum rancorem animi nostri sectam regiam et omnem actionem quem et quas erga ipsos et ipsorum quemlibet concepimus habemus seu quouismodo habere poterimus pro sua proditoria insurrectione contra quondam Johannem dominum Fleming magnum camerarium nostrum in pretorio eiusdem nostri burgi pro tribunali sedentem in executione sui officii camerarie. Necon pro proditoria insurectione liegiorumque nostrorum convocatione contra cancellarium nostrum et consilii nostri dominos, ac resistentia consanguineo nostro Jacobo comite Arranie domino Hammiltoun ipsum ab ingressu burgi nostri antedicti ad arcum inferiorem eiusdem repellendo, ipso tunc existente nostro locumtenenti et eiusdem burgi preposito, ac pro omnibus aliis actionibus transgressionibus criminibus et offenssis quibuscumque per dictos prepositum balliuos consules et communitatem seu ipsorum aliquem infra dictum nostrum burgum nunc actualiter inhabitantes aliquibus temporibus retroactis vsque in diem date presentium commissis seu quomodolibet perpetratis proditoria traditione in nostram personam regiam murthuro incendiis mulierum raptu et communi furto exceptis. Volumus etiam et concedimus quod hec nostram generalis remissio [dictis] preposito balliuis consulibus et communitati prevocatis et ipsorum cuilibet talis et tanti erit valoris vigoris et efficacie sicut eadem eis concessa et data fuisset singulatim per nomina et cognomina sua specialiter expressa per litteras nostras remissionum sub nostro magno sigillo. Vobis precipimus et mandamus quatinus preceptum nostrum sub dicto nostro secreto sigillo pro letteris nostris remissionis [*word destroyed*] pluribus aut vna sub nostro magno sigillo dictis preposito balliuis consulibus et communitati super premissis conficiendis reuerendissimo in Christo patri ac consiliario nostro dilecto Jacobo Sancti Andree archiepiscopo cancellario nostro in forma capelle nostre debita dirigatis. Datum sub [signeto] nostro apud Edinburgh vicesimo septimo Januarii anno domini millesimo quinqencesimo [vicesimo] quinto anno regni nostri decimo tertio.

[Remission for insurrection.]

Per signaturam manibus S. [D. N. Regis et] dominorum secreti consilii sui subscriptione. CHEPMAN.

[Remission for insurrection.]

[JAMES, by the grace of God King of Scots: To the venerable father in Christ and our beloved councillor, George Abbot of our monastery of Holy Rood, keeper of our privy seal, greeting:—Whereas we, with the advice, authority, and consent of the lords of our secret council, chosen thereto by the three estates of our kingdom in our parliament; Considering the good, faithful, and gratuitous service done to us by our lovites the Provosts, Bailies, Council and Community of our Burgh of Edinburgh, from the time of the decease of our late most noble father of good memory, on whose soul may God have mercy, as also the great injury, trouble and wrath of the nobility with which they were oppressed on account of our service. Of our special favour we remit generally and in kind to the Provost, Bailies, Council and whole Community of our said Burgh, and every one of them now actually inhabiting the said burgh, all rancour of our mind, royal suit, and all action which we conceived, had, or could have in any way towards them or any of them for their treasonable insurrection against the deceased John Lord Fleming, our Great Chamberlain, when sitting in judgment in the Tolbuith of our said Burgh in the execution of his office of Chamberlain. As also, for the treasonable insurrection and convocation of our lieges against our Chancellor and the lords of our privy council, and resisting our cousin, James Earl of Arran, Lord Hamilton, from entering our foresaid Burgh, at the Nether Bow of the same, by beating him back, he being at the time our Lieutenant and Provost of the said Burgh. And for all other actions, transgressions, crimes and offences whatsoever, committed by the said Provost, Bailies, Council and Community, or any of them now actually residing within our said Burgh, in any times byegone, until the day of the date of these presents, by whomsoever committed or perpetrated, treasonable insurrection against our royal person, murder, fire-raising, ravishing of women and common theft excepted. And we will and grant that this our general remission to the said Provost, Bailies, Council and Community foresaid, and each of them, shall be of such force, strength and effect as if the same were made and granted to each one singly by name and surname, specially expressed by our letter of remission under our great seal. We therefore require and command that our precept under our said privy seal be directed to the right reverend father in Christ and our beloved councillor, James Archbishop of St Andrews, our Chancellor, for preparing our letters of remission, one or more, under our great seal, to the said Provost, Bailies, Council and Community upon the premises, in due form of our chancellary. Given under our signet at Edinburgh, the twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred [twenty] five, in the thirteenth year of our reign.]

27 *February* 1525–6.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall statutis and ordanis that na maner of nychtbour within this burgh, craftismen nor vtheris, pas and purches ony lordschip or requeist of lordis for the defens of thair materis or causis dependand before the toun in tyme tocum, vnder the pane of tynsall of thair fredome for evir. Statuta. Purchesing lordschippis.

6 *March* 1525–6.

The quhilk day, the baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis Jhone Forster till content and pay till Andro Vddart fermorair of the petit customes of Leith for the tyme, for the custome and dewiteis of his guidis quhilk he brocht hame in to Jhone Downyis schip furth of Flanderis in August that last wes, baith for the guidis enterit be him in the said schip and for the custome of the guidis being in the schryne pakket and ha'me' [*sic*] barrell extending to xiiij^{xx} li. greit, at the first waring, as he maid fayth him self, and for the custome of certane pypis of wad, quhilk wer previt cumin hame to the said Jhone in the said schip and vnenterit in the townis buikis, the sowme of xiiij li. Scottis money for his custome and dewteis thairof; and als decernis and ordanis the said Jhone Forster till content and pay to the guid toun and kirkwerk thairof in assythment and contentatioun of the escheit of his guidis quhilk he fraudfullie left vnenterit in the townis buikis, as wes sufficientlie provin be witnes and be his awin confessioun, the sowme of ten pundis vsuall money of Scotland to be payit within terme of law. Vddart. Custome.

4 *May* 1526.

The quhilk day, the provest baillies and counsall consentis and grantis to the dekyn and maisteris of the flescheouris that in all extentis and vther chargeis that salhappin within this burgh in tyme tocum that all the candilmakeris within the samyn sall extent and beir all portable chairgeis with the said dekyn and brether of the flescheouris, becaus it wes vnderstand that the said candilmakeris was in vse till extent and be with the saidis flescheouris in tymes bygane. Extent. Flescheouris. Candilmakeris.

14 *July* 1526.

The quhilk day, in presens of the provest baillies and counsall sittand in jugement, Maister Jhone Dingwell provest of the Trinitie College besyde Edinburgh producit ane chartour and instrument of sesing vnder the commoun seill Prepositus Trinitie College. Villa.

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of Edinburgh, quhair the provest baillies counsall and communitie wes bound to pay yeirlie to the said provest prebendaris and beadmen of the said Trinitie College the sowme of ten pundis of the first and reddiest commoun guidis of the toun; quhairfore the provest baillies and counsall ordanis the thesaurare now present and tocum to mak thankfull payment yeirlie of the said x li. to the said provest cheptour and beadmen, vnder the paine of poynding of his rediest guidis for the samyn; and attour ordanis the officiaris to pas termelie poynd and distrenye the reddiest guidis of the said thesaurair for payment of the said x li. to be payit to the saidis provest cheptour and bedemen yeirlie gif he failyeis thairintill, quhane euir thai ar requirit be the said provest and cheptour. And als ordanis the said thesaurare till poynd and distrenye yeirlie Maister Richart Robesonis land behind the kirk for x li. of annuall awin to the guid toun, quhilk gif he failyeis till do the samyn sall nocht be allowit to him in his comptis, bot sall tyne the same of his awin purs.

24 *November* 1526.

Anent the selling of breid within the toune.

Item, Because of the gret repaire in Edinburgh throw resorting of our Souerane Lord his lieges and vthers strangearis, and it is necessare that thai be providit of breid, gude and sufficient stuff, thairefore it is statute and ordanit that thare be wolklie thre mercat dais for selling of breid within the said toune, that is to say, Monunday, Wednisday, and Friday wolklie, vpoune the quhilk dayis it salbe lefull to all our Souerane Lordis liegis, baith in brugh and to land, tocum vpone the saidis mercat dais to the said toune, and sell thare breid for reddy money without trouble or iniuris to be done to the persounis cumand with thair breid to the effect foresaid.

Anent the selling of flesche in the toune.

Item, It is statute and ordanit in likewise, that there be three mercat dais wolklie in the said toune for selling of flesche, that is to say, Sounday, Monunday, and Thursday wolklie. All maner of persounis, baith to burghe and to lande, salbe fre to cum and sell flesche for redy money for the furnessing of our Souerane Lord and his liegis and vtheris reparand to the said toune.

Anent executioun of the dome agains Henry Bardiner for piratry.

Item, Anent the article gevin in be the commissaris of burrowis makand mentioune of the grete inconuentis committit be Henry Bardiner induellar in Lethe, be way of pirating and as ane sey theiff, and quhat truble may fall to the merchandis of this realme for his dedis, of the quhilk he is convict by ane

assiss, it is deuisit, statute, and ordanit be the estatis temporale in this present parliament, that the provest and ballies of Edinburgh execute justice vpoune the said Henry efter the forme of the dome gevin agains him in example of vtheris to committ siclike inconuentis. Anent executioun of the dome agains Henry Bardiner for piratry.

Item, Anent the article proponit of the grete oppressioune committit and dayle done by the malt makaris of Lethe vpoune our Souerane Lordis liegis throw the exhorbitant derth raisit be thame, and of thair causing throw all the hale realme, it is devisit, concludit and ordanit that Archibald Douglas, provest of Edinburgh, Thesaurer William Scott, of Balwery, justice, in absence of the justice-generale, and Nichol Crawford, of Oxingangis, justice-clerk, call the said maltmen to compere before thame the xj day of December next tocum, and put thame to the knawledge of ane assise for comoune oppressioune, and to execute justice vpoune thame gif thai be convict, conform to the lawis of the realme. Anent the oppressioun committitt be the malt makaris of Lethe.

1526.

(In ane lowse of the rentale of the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} xxvj^{o} is contentit that the thesaurare Robert Henrysoun hes set the Beir Hill of Leith and proffitt thairof to Jhone Dalmahoy youngr, sone to Jhone Dalmahoy in Leyth, with all aventouris [*blank*] of xxvj li. souerty heirfor the said Jhone Dalmahoy eldare.—*Tr.*) Beir Hill in Leyth.

28 *February* 1526-7.

Vltimo Februarii anno Domini, etc. xxvi, hora xii, indictione xv, pontificatus Clementis Pape vii anno quarto. Master Adam Otterburn of Auldhame, William Forster in Leith, William Forous burges of Hadington, and Michael Sympson, maid and constitut Master Jacobus Forstar, student in Sanctandrois, and brukand the priuilege of the Vniuersite therof, thar verray lauchfull donatour. in and to all and sindry the graith of the schip quhilk thai coft fra the Duchemen, viz. mastis, ankeris, towis, takle, saill, and all vther graith, with power till him to persew the samyn fra the personis intrometteris therwith, viz. [*blank*] and this to be extendit in vberiora forma; et dictus Willelmus Forster petiit instrumentum: Testibus, Johanne Adamson, Patrik Baron, Vincent Strathauchin, Michaele Tullos, Johanne Anderson, et multis aliis. Acta in pretorio burgi de Edinburgh. Pro Jacobo Forstar

5 *March* 1526–7.

Pro Edwardo Thomson.

Quinto die mensis Marcii anno Domini etc. xxvi, hora x ante merediem, indictione xv, pontificatus Clementis Pape sexti anno quarto, personaliter constituta Elizabeth Knox, ane of the executouris of vmquhile Katerine Thomson, grantis hir till [haue] ressauit fra Eduerd Thomson, the tother of the executouris of the said vmquhile Katerine, in the first, all the said vmquhile Katerines clais, left till hir in legacy efter the forme of hir testament; Item, ane fedder bed, ane bouster, ane paire of blankettis, a pair of scheittis, a couering, a compter burd, ane treyin bed, a quart stop of tyn, ii pyntis and a chopin, viii plaittis, v dischis, vi trunsheoris, ane chandlar, a ſiluer spune, ane pot, a pan, and thre ringis of gold, and tua merkis of money: Of the quhilk clothing gudis and money abonwryttin, and all vther gudis or sovmes of money, that scho can clame, the said Eduerd of any maner of way, outher be executourschip or legacy of the said vmquhile Katerines, the said Elizabeth Knox quytclames and discharges the said Eduerd Thomson, his airis executouris and assignais therof now and for euer, be this present acquittans to be extendit in the largest and best forme that can be deuisit. Et desuper dictus Eduardus petiit instrumentum. Acta infra burgum de Edinburgh in domo habitacionis dicti Eduardi, Jacobo Costyne, Johanne Walkar, domino Dauid Yong capellano, Dauid Purves seriand, et Dauid Straton.

4 *May* 1527.

Pro Thoma Ramsay.

Quarto die mensis Maii, anno Domini etc. xxvii, indictione xv, pontificatus Clementis Pape septimi anno quarto: George Arnot, burges of Edinburgh, with the consent and assent of Elizabeth Clerk his spous, grantis full faculte, tollerans, and lycens till his nychtbour and freynd Thomas Ramsay, burges of the said burgh, and to his spous, thair airis and assignais, till purge and clenge thair conduitis and seigis new biggit in thair new houssis liand on the west side [of] Forsteraris wynd within the said Georgis bak waist land, at all tymes quhen myster is, and to bruke and haif the space of widnes therto on the west syd the said Thomas new land throw the said Georgis bak yet, that ane barrow aud tua men may eselie pas for the clenging therof; And als the said George and his spous ratifiis and apprevis for thaim and thair airis all the durris and wyndois and vther lichtis maid of new be the said Thomas in his said land,

and promittis for him his airis and assignais neuer to molest inquiet or truble the said Thomas therintill, his airis nor assignais, in na tymes to cum: And that for certane thankis and gratitudis done be the said Thomas to the said George and his spous tharfor: Et desuper dictus Thomas petiit instrumentum: Acta erant hec super solum dicte terre hora v post merediem: Testibus domini Willelmo Brovne, domino Jacobo Baroun, Wilielmo Clerk, et Jacobo Carvour. Pro Thoma Ramsay.

20 *July* 1527.

Vicesimo die mensis Julij, anno domini millesimo v^{c} x xvij, hora nona ante merediem, in taberna Willelmi Adamson, testibus Willelmo Sym, Patricio Barone balliui, Michaele Blyth, Henrico Scot, Edwardo Hammilton, Henrico Blak, Alexandro Heriot, et Alexandro Tennent, in presentiis quo Johne Williamesone duelland in Osterdame, of his avne fre will, nocht compellit nor coactit, bot of his awne fre will as aperit, grantit that he has sauld till Henry Scot, Patrik Gardner, and John Ker, induellaris in Leith, the inferior part callit the holl of his schip callit the James of Osterdame for the some of xxx li. Scottis money and grantis him wele content and thankfulle pait, and thairfor quitclamis and dischairges the saidis Henry, Patrik, and Jhone, thair airis exectutoris and assignais, of him his airis executoris and assignais, for him and euirmar be this present writ, and oblissis him neuir till persew thame in contrar heirof in jugment nor vtouth, and in presens forsaid the saidis Henry Scot, Patrik Gardner, and Johne Ker has offerit the said inferior pairt of the said schip thre dais efter that scho wes first coft, as wes allegit, to the said Johne Williamsone of the samyn price that he sauld the samyn to thame, payand to thame the expensis maid in the meyntyme and till ilk ane of thame, a ros nobill quhilk he refusit. Superquibus predicti partes peticrunt instrumenta. Pro Henrico Scot, Patricio Gardner, et Johanne Ker.

2 *August* 1527.

The quhilk day, in presens of the baillies and counsale sittand in judgment anent the supplicatioun gevin in be Williame Henrysoun, Dauid Idid in the name of the haill merchantis fremen that brocht wictuallis in Hans Crwttis schip furth of Dannskyn wpoun Patrik Heiring, Johne Ballentyne, and Williame Fogo, wnfremen. The baillies and counsale decernis and ordanis the saidis vnfremen till pay to the thesaurer and customeris of the towne of thair girnaill guidis tua bollis, viz. ane behynd the mast and ane wther befoir, becaus Fremen and unfremen anent the assays. Bolls and mettaige.

Fremen and unfremen anent the assys. Bolls and mettaige.

thai ar nocht fre, togidder with the mettage, viz. viij d. for ilk chalder sa far as is thair awin guidis, and the fremen tilbe quit of the said mettaig and fre of ony payne thairof in tyme cummyng, becaus the saidis fremen suorne be thair grett aithis that knew nocht quhidder the saidis wnfremen wes fre or nocht the tyme thai schippit the said wictuallis in the said schip.

1527.

Setting of the gaitt dichting.

The gaitt dichting and dewteis thairof is sett this yeir in tocum with the aventure of deid and weir to Alexander Pennecuik for the sowm of xx li, to be dicht and clengeit sufficiently ilk viij dayes anes with a dosane of seruands, and that he tak na mair of dewteis for the dichting thairof exceptand allanerly of fische flesche salt and victualls. (Lowse leiffes.—*Tr.*)

22 *January* 1527–8.

Lipper.

The quhilk day, the baillies and counsale statutes and ordanis that [*blank*] Wilsoun, tailyeour, and all vtheris suspect of lipper within this towne devoyde thame of the samyn within xv dayes, and gif the said [*blank*] Wilsoun will allege that he hes nocht na sic seiknes that he caus the medicinaris to purge him be thair aythis in the meanetyme; and als chairges all maner of lipper folkis that ar in lugeis and hospitales about this towne that thai convers nocht amang clene folks nother in kirk merkat or vther wayes bot hald thame be thame selffis in quyet vnder the payne of banissing the towne. (This amang the lowse leiffes.)

24 *January* 1527–8.

Pynt.

It is thocht expedient be the baillies and counsale that the pynt stowpe of Dalkeyth be send for, and that wyse and discreitt men mesoure the vther commoun pynts of this towne and of Striueiling with that pynt, swa that ane just mesour may be maid vniuersally throw all this towne. (In the convict buik begynand in Julij 1505.)

1 *February* 1527–8.

[Decree. Chaplain of St Cristopher's altar.]

(Decreitt gevin decerning Sir Thomas Ewyne chaiplen of St Cristophers alter and brether of the skynners and furrours to be putt in possessioun of the xl s. annuell, viz. xx s. of vmquhill Jhone Hathweis buith, and vther xx s. of his pairt of the land quhilk George Lethe dwellis in on the eist syde of Alexander Cants tenement, and to poynd thairfore.—*Tr.*)

The counsall fyndis and delyueris, be the price of the quheit fundin the last mercatt day at xij s., that the baxteris baik commounlie to all our Souerane Lordis liegis xj vnces j half weill baikin breid and dryit sufficient stuff for j d.; and that thai furneis the tovne with ij d. breid and penny breid, and that thay sell nocht to the tovne vnder the payne of spaining fra the occupatioun yeir and day; and that thay cum to the clerkis buith and tak thair tikket heirvpoun. The pace of breid efter xij s. the boll.

22 *February* 1527–8.

The quhilk day, the baillies and counsale ordanis the dene of gild or thesaurer till caus the waist land of the townis that thai gat fra Hew Dowglas and his spous, lyand at the west kirk dur, to be fillit vp with red, and to calsay the samyn honestly as efferis.—(Lowse Leiffes.—*Tr.*) Waist at the West Kirk door.

28 *February* 1527–8.

The quhilk day, the baillies and counsall decernis and ordanis Mungow Tennent, thesaurar of this yeir bygane, till content pay and deliuer till Jhone Purves thesaurare the sowme of twa hundreth markis restand in his handis of the commoun guid of the said last yeir he was thesaurare, and dischairgis him thairof be this present writting now and evir; and als ordanis the said Jhone Purves thesaurar till content and pay incontinent to Michaell M'Quhane for the commoun buithis quhilk he has in wedsett of the guid toun for redemptioun of the samyn the sowme of fyftie pundis, and to Williame Rynd for ane vther buith quhilk he hes in wedsett of threscoir pundis, and to resaue ouer thair said rycht of the saidis twa buithis, with all lettres and euidentis maid to thame thairvpoun; and als ordanis the said Jhone Purves thesaurare till content and pay till Alane Mosman goldsmyth for to perfurneist and end furth the siluer chandler that he hes in his hand to mak, the sowme of xx li till guid compt and recknyng; quhilkis sowmes being payit be the said Jhone Purves thesaurare salbe thankfullie allowit till him in his comptis, kepand this writt and precept for his discharge and warrand. Twa buthies to be lowsit.

APPENDIX.

No. I.

TABLES OF TOLLS AND CUSTOMS.

[The words within parentheses are not in the Assisa de Tolloneis.]

[The following Table of Customs is engrossed in the volume numbered as the first of the series of Council Records,[1] and which consists mainly of extracts from old records of the burgh not now extant. No date is there assigned to the table. It appears likewise in the volume of extracts preserved in the Advocates' Library,[2] and bears to have been transcribed from "ane lowse leiff quhair is the daitt 15 February 1468," under which date it is entered. It is also engrossed, with little variation, in the Charter of Customs granted by King James the Third, of date 16th November 1482, under the title of "Greit customes and dewties that the thesaurare of the toune ressaues and takes of strangearis and vnfremen, of schips and guidis cummand in at the port of Leyth, and enterit in the tounis buikis, togidder with the escheit of the samen quhair it beis found vnenterit of ony vnfremen."]

The duties of the customes of this burgh of auld.

Item of ilk last barrell guidis, meill, pik, tar, or sic lyke .	xvj	d.	[The duties of customes of this Burgh of auld.]
Item of ilk toun wyne	xvj	d.	
Of ilk bot malvesy	xij	d.	
Item of Rynche wyne becaus of greitt steiks of ilk croun .	ij	d.	

[1] Fol. 20-21. [2] Fol. 94.

[The duties of the customes of this Burgh of auld.]

Item of j^m^ irne . . . . . ij s.
Item of j^c^ saill canves . . . . . ij s.
Item of gretare[1] of the crowne . . . . . ij d.
Item of mirsory or merchandice dry or costly guidis to custome it be the trowne.
Item of ane barrell of oley, saip, butter, vynager, flesche, and siclyke guidis . . . . . vj d.
Item of ilk barrell vnyeonis or apillis . . . . . iiij d.
Item of ane pak of lynt contenand ane last . . . . v s. iiij d.
Item of ane hundredth tymmer greit and small . . . xvj d.
Item of j^c^ bowstringis . . . . . xvj d.
Item of ilk tun wad . . . . . xiij s. iiij d
Item of ane pok wald . . . . . xij d.
Item of ilk girnaill corne guidis, ij bollis ane behind the mast and ane befoir, and siclyke of all girnell guidis to Sanct Gelis wark.
Item the anchorage to be payit efter the tenour of the chairtour of the hevin siluer maid thairvpoun.[2]

Off custome outwart of fremmit men vsit and vnfremen.

Item of ilk chalder salt . . . . . viij d.
Item of ilk chalder smethy colis . . . . . viij d.
Item of ilk last hydis . . . . . xxxij d.
Item of ilk sek woll and skynnis . . . . . xvj d.
Item of a pak of claith . . . . . viij d.
Item of a pak of cunnyng skynnis, lambskynnis, otteris, folmartis, and siclyk . . . . . viij d.
Item of all guidis outward, doubland the pety custome of Leith to the thesaurare of the toun, siclyke as it is tane in Leith.

[1] In the Charter of Customs of 16th November 1482, this is termed "The grete canves of the crovne."

[2] See tables of customes granted by the Royal Charters, dated 31 December 1428, 25 September 1445, 4 November 1454, and 16 November 1471, and given *antea*, pp. 3, 7, 14, and 25.

[A Table of Tolls and Customs, bearing the title "Noua Custuma," is given in the first volume of the Council Records,[1] and also in the volume of Extracts preserved in the Advocates' Library.[2] In the former, it immediately follows the table of duties of the customs given above. In the latter, it stands unconnected with any other tariff. In neither is any date assigned to this Table, which seems to be a not very accurate transcript, with some variation, of the greater part of the Table of "Petty Customs called Toll," printed under the title "Assisa de Tolloneis," in the Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland,[3] and in the Ancient Laws and Customs of the Burghs of Scotland.[4] The Assisa de Tolloneis there given bears to be the "assize of King David, King of Scots, made at Newcastle-upon-Tyne by his whole community of Scotland, barons, burgesses and others, concerning the Tolls and Customs of Burghs," and Professor Cosmo Innes is of opinion that it can be traced back, on good evidence, to that reign, "when Lothian and Northumberland were subject to the same law and government, and when the tariff of Newcastle-upon-Tyne was identical with that of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and collected by the same authority—that of the good King David."[5] The opinion thus expressed is confirmed and illustrated by the comparison which he has instituted in his preface to the first volume of the Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland between the toll or custom of Newcastle, as given in the Northumberland Chartulary, with the tariff established for Berwick and the Scotch ports, as set forth in the Assisa de Tolloneis.

Some of the customs given in the Edinburgh table are different from those specified in the Assisa de Tolloneis, which also contains several articles not given in the Edinburgh table. The points of difference, so far as material, and the additional articles, are shown in the Table here given. Those portions printed in italics are not in the Edinburgh Table, but are taken from the Assisa.

Sections x., xi., and xii. of the Assisa de Tolloneis, as given in the Ancient Laws and Customs of the Burghs,[6] are entirely left out.]

DE NOUA CUSTUMA.

Off toll and custome.

Off ane wayn of iiij oxin	. . . . .	j d. [Noua Custuma.]
Of ane wayne of iiij hors	. . . . .	ij d.
Of tursaill behind a sadill	. . . . .	j ob.

[1] Fol. 21-22.
[2] Fol. 99-100.
[3] Volume I., pp. 303-306.
[4] Fol. 100-108.
[5] Preface to the Ledger of Andrew Halyburton, p. lxxxviii.
[6] Fol. 107 and 108.

[Noua Custuma.]

Of a tursaill in a sadill	j d.
Of a tursaill befoir a man	iiij d.
Of a feather bed	*iiij d.*
Of a pillow	*j ob.*
(Of ane fardell	j obl.)

Off custome of skynnis.

Of a tymyr of *skins of* toddis, quhit*redys*, martrikkis, cattis, beueris, *sable*, *firrettis* or siclyk *vthyr*, of ilk tymyr at the outpassing	iiij d.
And the tymyr of scurell	ij d.
Item j^{c} gray grese or scurell dicht and letherit	viij d.
Of ilk otyr skyn	*j ob.*

Off corne, meill, and salt.

Off ilk chalder of corne, meill, or salt	j d.
(Item of viij bollis, ane boll	j ob.)
Of half a chaldre	*j ob.*
Item of ane quarter	j quadrant.
Of ilk sek corn, meill, or salt, or malt, and it excede ane boll it sall gif at the outganging	j quadrant.
And gif it excedis nocht it sall pay nocht.	
And sua it salbe of benys and pese.	
Of a sowme of lekis on a hors	j ob.
Of a birding of breid or lekis on a mannis bak	j quadrant.
And gif he beiris thame on his heid he sall pay nocht.	
Of a soume of pottis on a hors	j ob.
Of a birthin of pottis on a mannis bak	j quadrant.
For a burding of butter or cheese on a hors at the outpassage	*j ob.*
Of a birdin of cheis or butter on a mannis bak	j quadrant.
Of a some of irne on a mannis bak	j d.
Of a some of mader or wald on a hors	j d.
Of a birdin of wald or mader to sel	j ob.
Of a birdin of mustard [*mercery*]	j quadrant.
And gif onything thereof is sauld	j ob.

And gif he opinis his birding in the merket to sell, and nocht sellis, he sall give . . . . . j quadrant. [Noua Custuma.]

Of a piece of claith sauld in the merket it sall gif nathing to custome, bot and the claith be schorne throw the Eldermannis leif, and be sauld be elnys, the sellar sall gif j ob. to the borrowseriand.

Off toll of beistis.

Of ane ox bocht *in the market* . . . . . j ob.
Of a kow . . . . . j ob.
Of ane hors . . . . . j d.
Of ilk hors bocht and nocht riddin gangand out of the toun but a sadill . . . . . j ob.
Of ilk hors[1] or cow gangand quhair custome sould be gevin . j quadrant.
Of ten scheip gaitt or swyne . . . . . j d.
(Of lxxx. or v^{xx} scheip, gait, or swyne . . . j ob.)
(Of iiij ij. gait, scheip, or swyne . . . . j quadrant.)
Of iiij or v gait, schepe, or swine . . . . *j ob.*
Of ij or iij gayt schepe or swyne . . . . *j quad.*
And gif thir bestis be (ony frehalderis, furth duelland, to mak seruice)[2] to his awin vse, thai sall gif na thing.
And gif he will sell thame thai aucht custome on this wys.

Off custome of woll, hydis and skynnis.

Item of ane last of hydis . . . . . viij d.
Of half a last . . . . . iiij d.
(Of a quarter of a last . . . . . ij d.)
Of a daker *of hydis sauld in daker* . . . . j d.
Of half a daker or *iiij or* iij [*or*] *ij* hydis . . . . j ob.
Of ane (or ij hydis tannyt) at the outpassing . . . j quadrant.
Of a last hart hydis . . . . . viij d.
Item of ane daker of calf hydis[3] . . . . iij ob

1 Instead of "hors," the Assisa has it "ox."
2 Instead of "ony frehalderis furth duelland to mak seruice," the Assisa de Tolloneis has it, "of ony frehaldand man with charter."
3 Instead of "calf hydis," the Assisa has "hynd calwis."

[Noua Custuma.]

Item of a last woll, that is to say *ten* sekkis gadderit togidder viij d.
Item of a sek of woll . . . . . iiij d.
Of a waw of woll that is to say half a sek . . . *ij d.*
(Of a poke woll . . . . . ij d.)
Of viiij. vij. or vj. stane of woll . . . . j ob.
Of v. iiij. iij. ij or j stane of woll . . . . *j ob.*
Item of a stane of littit woll . . . . . j ob.
Off j^c woll skynnis . . . . . iiij d.
Of lx . . . . . ij d.
Of a binde of skynnis of schorlingis, that is to say xxxiiij . j d.
(And of als mony woll skynnis . . . . . ij d.)
Of ane hundreth hog skynnis . . . . [*iij. ob.*] ij d.
Of j^c lam skynnis . . . . . iij ob.
Of j^c gait skynnis or (toddis) *har skynnys* . . . iij ob.

Off custome of heryng and fisches.

Item of a last of hering . . . . . iiij d.
Of j^m heryng . . . . . *j d.*
Of j^c salmond at the entryng nathyng, but at the furth passing. *iiij d.*
Of ilk j^c fisch kelyng leyng or hadok at the entryng nocht, bot at the oute passing . . . . . *iiij d.*
Of j^m haddockes or whytinges or codlyng . . . *j d.*
Of a hors lade of salmonde at the entry . . . *j d.*
Of a hors soume of ony other maner of fysch or heryng dry, at the furth passing . . . . . *j d.*
Of a hors lad of kelyngis haddokis whytyngs or codlyngis or oysteris, of sik maner of fysch put to sel for the stallage *j d.*
(Of a hors sowme of sik fische as said is, or dry hering, at the furth passing . . . . . j d.)
(Of ilk j^m haddokis, quhityng, or codlyngis, oisteris, or sic maner of fische put to sell for the stalling . . . . j d.)
Of a hors soume led out of the toun of sic maner of fisch . j d.
Out tane colmouth . . . . . j ob.
Of a birdin of fische on a mannis bak at the furth passing . j ob.

Of j^m hering led on a hors . . . . . j d. [Noua Custuma.]
For ilk birding for the stallange of the market . . j ob.
And for ix^c viij^c *or* vij^c hering . . . . j d.
(For vj^c v^c iiij^c vij^c hering . . . . . j d.)
For vj^c v^c iiij^c iij^c ij^c or j^c hering . . . . j quadrant.
Item for a last of fresch hering . . . . iiij d.
And of half a last . . . . . ij d.
And gif thai be led throw the byair that byis thame, bot gif thai be led to the havin with the fischear he sall gif na thing for hering, bot for his set.

[*Off custome of merchandise.*]

Brasell at *the entryng aw nathyng, but at the outgang ilk hundredth of brasyl sall pay* . . . . . *ij d.*
Wax at the enterying aw na thing, bot of ilk waw at the outpassing viij d.
gif it be wayit be wawys; and gif it be wayit be stanys, at the furth passing, of ilk stane . . . . . j d.
For the custome of carkis or ballis of pepper, cummyn, alome, gynger, granys,[1] almondis, *ris.* feggis, rasyngs and vther sic thyngis at the entrie aw nathing, bot of ilk ball at the furth (cummying) *passing* . . . . . iiij d.
Of ilk hundreth *pund* pepper or sic thingis foirsaid . . ij d.
Of a poke of alome at the furth passing . . . . ij d.
(Of j^c pund weicht of sic maner of thing or vther of ilk j^c beit of alome ij d. at the furth ganging, and for ilk j^c gif it be sauld for custome of the merket.) . . . . . ij d.)
Of all maner of thingis of awyr de pais of ilk c pund at the outgang . . . . . *ij d.*
And for ilk c gif it be sald of custome . . . . *ij d.*
And for the custome of the market . . . . *ij d.*
Of j^c irne . . . . . ij d.
Item of a wayne weicht of leid, that is to say, xxiiij futemellis . iiij d.
Of ane waw of cheis[2] or olye . . . . . j d.

[1] For "granys" the Assisa gives "setwell." [2] For "cheis" the Assisa gives "grese sayme."

[Noua custuma.]

Off the custome of canves, kellis, thredis, and knyffis.

Of j^{c} canves	j d.
Item of j^{c} carkis of kellis at the entrie, ij d. and at the furthpassing	ij d.
Item of j^{c} li. thred to mak kellis	j ob.
Item of j^{c} li. of lynning threid	j ob.
Item for j^{c} burdis *of tymmer*	iiij d.
Of j^{c} cheueronis	iiij d.
Of j^{c} knyffis	j ob.

Off the custome of cordwan, baterie.

Of a dusane cordwan skynnys at the entrying nocht, bot at the furth passing	*iiij d.*
Of iiij or iij cordwane skynnys	*j d.*
(Item of ij dussoun of cordwane skynnis . . .	j d.)
Of ij	j ob.
Of ane nathing	
Of ij dossoun[1] of pannis *of battry* at the furth passing and at the entrie nocht.	ij d.
Item of ij dussoun[2] of lokkis	j ob.
Of ij dussoun[3] of caldronis *at the outgang* . . *iij d.*	iij ob.
Of half a dusane of caldronis	*iij ob.*
Of iij caldronis	j d.
Of twa . . . . . and at the entrie na thing.	*i ob.*
Of ij dussoun[4] of brasyn pottis at the furth passing . *iij d.* and at the entrie na thing.	ij d.

[1] The Assisa gives "a dozen."
[2] The Asissa gives "a dusane."
[3] The Assisa gives "a dusane."
[4] *Ibid.*

[The following Table of the Petty Customs of Leith is engrossed, without any date being affixed to it, in the volume numbered as the first of the series of Council Records,[1] and also in the volume of Extracts preserved in the Advocates' Library.[2] It immediately follows the Noua Custuma given above.]

The petie customes of Leyth.

In primis of ilk barell of ter sauld to vnfremen . . ij d. [The petie customes of Leyth.]
And swa in likewys of all barrell guidis.

Item of ilk laid of vnyeonis, apillis, corne, and vther guidis that is sauld to vnfremen and met in Leith . . . j d.
Item of ilk laid unmet . . . . . j ob.
Item of ilk laid of quheit fische or herying . . . . j d.
Item of ilk hundreth greit fische, as keeling, stok-fische, salmound, vnbarralit . . . . . iiij d.
And swa of sic lyke fische.
Item of ilk chalder of corne that cummys out of the north or vther pairtis of the countrie, of vnfremen . . . viij d.
Item of ilk boit that cummis within the hevin with colis or with lyme . . . . . j ob.
Item of ilk j^c buirdis that cummys furth of the northlandis . viij d.
Item of ilk pak of claith of vnfremennis that payis nocht custome in the toun . . . . . iiij d.
Item of ilk laid salt that cummis . . . . . j d.
And swa of ilk laid butter cheis and vther guidis ansuerand thairto.
Item of ilk greit dormond . . . . . j ob.
Of xij geistis . . . . . iiij d.
Of ilk j^c sparris . . . . . viij d.
Of ilk j^c widde of irne, of vnfremennis . . . viij d.
Item of ilk daker of hydis of vnfremennis that cummis furth of the north pairtis of the cuntrie . . . . . ij d.
Item of ilk j^c skynnis, baith woll skynnis, gait skynnis, calfe, kyde, or cunnyng skynnis of vnfremennis that cummis nocht to the toun . . . . . iiij d.

[1] Fol. 22. [2] Fol. 100.

LIST

OF THE

ALDERMEN OR PROVOSTS, PRESIDENTS, BAILIES, AND OTHER OFFICE-BEARERS AND OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF EDINBURGH;

WITH

RELATIVE NOTES OF REFERENCES, CHARTERS, &c.

[The election of magistrates and other office-bearers in Burghs took place at Michaelmas annually. The municipal year thus extended from the beginning of October in one year, to the beginning of October in the year following. In the following List the date is given at which the provosts, bailies, and others are respectively found in office, wherever a date is stated in the original deed or record referred to.]

LIST OF PROVOSTS, &c.

A.D.

1296. William de Dederyk, *Alderman.*

Prynne's Records of the Tower, Vol. III. p. 653.
Ragman Rolls (Bannatyne Club), p. 122.

1329. ——— ———

By a Charter under the great seal, dated at Cardross, 28th May 1329, King Robert the First granted his Burgh of Edinburgh, with the port of Leith, mills, and pertinents, to the burgesses in feu ferme.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. iv. p. 16.

1344. John Wigmer, *Alderman.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh or Chartulary of St Giles (Bannatyne Club), p. 4.

1348. John Wiggymer, *Alderman* (28th March).

MS. Charter by Patrick Rynd, burgess of Edinburgh, to Adam dicto Swordsteper, burgess of Edinburgh.

1357. ——— ———

On 26th September 1357, Alexander Gylot, Adam Tore, and John Goldsmyth, of Edinburgh, with sundry others, aldermen, merchants, and burgesses of the Burghs of Scotland, granted a Procuratory to the persons above named, and others, to negotiate and enter into obligations for the ransom of King David II. from his captivity in England.

And on 6th October 1357, the procurators thus constituted granted an obligation, *inter alia*, for payment to the King of England of 10,000 merks, on account of King David's ransom.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. vi. p. 19.

1362. William Guppild, *Alderman* (9th April).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 10, 14.

1364. ——— ———

By a Charter under the great seal, dated Edinburgh, 3d December 1364, King David granted to the burgesses and community of Edinburgh a piece of ground on which to build a trone.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. vii. p. 25.

A.D.

1367. ——— , ———

By a Precept under the great seal, dated Perth, 12th November 1367, King David II. prohibited the holding of a fair at Newbottle, as prejudicial to the burgh of Edinburgh and his burgesses of the same.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. VIII. p. 26.

1368. WILLIAM GUPPILD, *Alderman* (4th October).

John Rollo, *Clerk* (4th October).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, Pref. p. viii.; pp. 1, 2.

1369. WILLIAM GUPPILD, *Alderman*.

Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq., LL.D.

John Rollo, *Common Clerk* (12th September).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 275.

William de Lawedre, *Bailie* (9th January).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland (Bannatyne Club), vol i p. 509.

1371 or 1372. ——— ———

Walter de Cracbarry, *Bailie*.

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 11.

1373. ADAM FORRESTER, *Alderman* (24th April).

Registrum Monasterii de Passalet (Maitland Club), p. 43.

1377. JOHN DE QUHITNESS, *Prepositus* (18th May).

MS. Charter of Robert II. to John de Beton of the lands of Balfour.
Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.

1378. ADAM FORRESTER, *Alderman* (20th February).

Registrum Monasterii de Passalet, p. 47.

1381. JOHN DE CAMERA, *Prepositus* (29th October).

John Derlyng, Allan Derlyng, and John, the son of John (29th October), *Bailies*.

Robert de Glenesk, *Common Clerk* (29th October).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 22.

1385. ——— ———

By a Charter, dated Edinburgh, 4th July 1385, by John, eldest son of King Robert II., Earl of Carrick and Steward of Scotland (afterwards King Robert III.), granted to the burgesses and community of Edinburgh the right to have and build houses in the castle.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XII. p. 32.

A.D.

1386. ——— ———

By a Charter under the great seal, dated Edinburgh, 25th July 1386, King Robert II. granted to the burgesses and community of his burgh of Edinburgh a piece of ground on the north side of the street thereof, for the purpose of erecting houses and buildings thereon.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XIII. p. 33.

1387. ANDREW YUTSOUN, *Provost* (29th November).

Indenture between Adam Forrester, Laird of Nether Libberton, and the burgh of Edinburgh, dated 29th November 1387. In this deed of Indenture, Andrew Yutsoun is designed "Prowest of the Burgh of Edynburgh."

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, Pref. p. ix.; p. 24.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XIV. p. 35.

1389. ——— ———

John Yong, *Bailie* (10th March).

Registrum Magni Sigilli, 1306–1424, p. 179.7.

1390. ——— ———

Adam de Fauside, *Bailie* (14th February).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 148.

John Young, *Bailie.*

Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 126, No. 7.

1392. JOHN DE DALRYMPILL, *Prepositus* (23d April).

David de Dalrympil, Oswald Mackelly, and Andrew Valance, *Bailies* (23d April).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 28.

Oswald Kelly, David de Dalrympill, and Andrew Walaice, *Bailies.*

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 241.

.... JOHN DE CAMERA, *Provost.*

List by James Laurie, Esq., Town Clerk of Edinburgh.

1395. ——— ———

John de Galhagy, *Bailie* (29th March).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 313.

1398. ——— ———

William Fersyth, *Bailie* (24th April).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 395.

On 31st May 1398, the burgesses and community of Edinburgh acquired from Sir Robert Logan, lord of Restalryk, certain rights in and near the town and lands of Leith.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XX. p. 48.

A.D.

1399. ——— ———

Robert Holland, *Bailie* (6th May).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 465.

1403. Alexander Naper, *Prepositus* (3d October).

Symon de Schele, *Dean of Guild and Keeper of the Kirk work,—Custoditer operis Ecclesie.*
John Lamb, *Treasurer.*
John Robertsoun, *Bailie of Leith.*

William of Cranstoun, William of Libertoun, George of Fawlow, William Cameroun, Adame Cant,- William Bully, Th of Prestoun, Sanders of Stanely, Adam of Carkettell, James of Boncle, Jh of Cairnis, Thom Johnestoun, Jh Lamb, Rychert of Fairnly, Laurence of Elphinstoun, Watt Young, James of Lawder, Henry Dicksoun, Nicol Spathy, Thom Smyth. Jh Wade, Robyn Michelsoun, Malcolme Boyde, James of Touris, Androw Crawfurd, David Lanerok, William Rynd, James of Schele, Robyn of Prestoun, Jh of Harlaw, Will Skynner, Sanders of Wod, Jh Howden, Will of Sydeserfe, Th Williamsoun, Jh Hayne, James of Ryndguid, Th Quhytelok, Will of Lawder, Jh of Farnly of Irwyn, Rot Merchell, Robyn Blak, Robyn of Wintown, James of Fowlfurde, Will of Carkettill, *Duodene Burgi.*

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates' Library, fol. 2.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 1.

1405. ——— ———

John de Loth, *Bailie* (16th March).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 655.

1408. John Rede, *Alderman* (25th October).

Liber Sancte Marie de Melros (Bannatyne Club), vol. ii. p. 327.

1410. Allan de Farnylie, *Provost* (15th March).

George de Lawdyr, Thomas de Benyng, and James de Lynton, *Bailies.*
Thomas Carketill, *Dean of Guild.*

MS. Letter of Reversion by John called Currour, burgess of Edinburgh, for himself and his son John, among writs of Lord Elibank.

1411. Allan de Farnylie, *Prepositus* (2d July).

George de Laudre, Thomas de Beyning, and Robert de Lintoun, *Bailies.*

MS. Registrum Cartarum Monasterii de Cambuskenneth, fol. 91.

A.D.

1413. George of Lawedre, *Prepositus* (27th February).
John Clerk of Lanark, Andrew of Lermwth, and William of Wod, *Bailies.*
James Cant, *Dean of Guild.*

Grant by Sir Robert Logan of Restalrig, to the community of Edinburgh, of a piece of ground in Leith, dated 27th February 1413–14.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxi. p. 53.

1416. ——— ———, *Alderman.*

In October of this year reference is made to an alderman, a dean of guild, and the "dusane," consisting of thirty-two persons. None of the names are recorded.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 3.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 2.

1418. ——— ——— (October).

The names of none of the magistrates or office-bearers elected at this time are recorded; but the "dusane" is called "duodecim consules et limitatores."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 3.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 2.

1419. Allan de Farnylie, *Prepositus* (30th January).

MS. Sasine in the possession of Thomas Thomson, Esq., W.S.

1423. John of Leuyntoun, *Alderman* (12th September).
Richard Lamb and Robert of Bonkyl, *Bailies.*
Thomas of Berwyk, *Dean of Guild.*

Lease by Dean John of Leith, sometime Abbot of Holyrood, of the Canonmills to "the alderman baylyes and dene of the gild" of the burgh of Edinburgh, dated 12th September 1423.

Liber Cartarum Sanctæ Crucis (Bannatyne Club), p. 127.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxii. p. 55.

.... Thomas de Cranstoun, *Prepositus* (20th November).
William Fysch, Robert Lorne, *Bailies.*
John de Dunne, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 45.
Liber Cartarum Sanctæ Crucis, p. 228.

On 16th February 1423–4, the "prepositus," bailies and community of the burgh of Edinburgh granted an obligation to King Henry VI. of England for 50,000 merks of English money, on account of the expenses of King James I. during his captivity in England, in the event of that sum not being paid by King James himself. Similar obligations were granted by the Burghs of Perth, Dundee, and Aberdeen.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxiii. p. 56.

A.D.

1425. William de Lebertoun, *Prepositus* (2d March).

John de Touris, Adam de Bonkill, John Fawside, *Bailies.*
Robert de Bonkill, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. lxvi.[1]

William Fysche, *Bailie.*

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. iii. p. 157.

1426. William de Lybertoun, *Prepositus* (10th June).

John de Touris, Adam de Bonkyll, *Bailies.*
Robert de Bonkyll, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 47.

The names of the magistrates and officers elected in October of this year are not recorded, but the "dusane" are termed "duodene et limitatores terrarum burgi."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 3.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 3.

1427. George de Laweder, *Prepositus* (6th June).

Alexander Naper, John Currour, and William Cameroun, *Bailies.*
John Currour, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 50.

.... William Levinton, *Provost.*

Maitland's History of Edinburgh, p. 226.

1428. John de Levingtoun, *Prepositus* (20th June and 9th August).

Thomas de Prestoun, Adam de Knox, and William Purro, *Bailies.*
John de Bigholme, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 51, 53.

By Charter under the great seal, dated Dunfermline, 31st December 1428, King James I., with consent of the burgesses and merchants of Edinburgh, authorised certain tolls to be uplifted of all ships and boats entering the port of Leith.

Charters, &c, relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxv. p. 63.

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[1] In the deed to which reference is here made, as well as in others of date 1426, 1427, 1429, 1432, 1437, 1438, 1439, and 1443, allusion is made to John Broun, or John Broun Clerc, burgess of Edinburgh and Notary Public, in such a way as to suggest the probability of his being Town Clerk of Edinburgh at that time. His son—Thomas Broun or Thomas Broun Clerc, Notary, and Burgess of Edinburgh—is expressly designed Common Clerk in 1446. Reference is also made to John Broun or John Broun Clerc, in deeds dated in 1448 and 1449. In a deed dated in 1451 reference is made to both John Broun Clerc, and Thomas Broun Clerc, as Notaries Public.

A.D.

1429. William de Libbertoun, *Prepositus* (20th July).

John de Toring, George de Faulo, and John Butlar, *Bailies.*
John de Bigholme, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 55.

1430. George de Lauder, *Provost.*

List by James Laurie, Esq., Town Clerk of Edinburgh.

1431. ——— ———

Adam Cant, *Bailie.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 58.

In October 1431 it is enacted that any one of the *dusane* who, after being warned to attend the *council*, failed to be present without leave, should pay fourpence to the wine fund.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 3.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 4.

1432. William de Liberton, *Provost.*

List by James Laurie, Esq., Town Clerk of Edinburgh.

.... John de Leuingtoun, *Prepositus* (10th March).

John Swift, Patrick de Foulis, *Bailies.*
John Bigholme, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 56.

1433. ——— ———

Alan de Lawedre, *Bailie* (20th February).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 57.

1434. Sir Henry Preston of Craigmillar, *Provost.*

Maitland's History of Edinburgh, p. 226.

Richard Lamb, *Bailie* (28th May).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. iii. p. 262.

1435. Sir Henry Preston of Craigmillar, *Provost* (10th June)

Mylne's Genealogical Collection, preserved in the Advocates Library.
Macfarlane's MS. Collection, cited in Chalmers' Caledonia, vol. ii. p. 576.

.... John de Levyntoun, *Prepositus* (13th July).

The Accounts of the Great Chamberlain of Scotland, vol. iii. p. 334.

A.D.

1436. ———— ———, *Alderman.*

An enactment of date 18th December refers to the "alderman, bailyies, and counsale."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 132.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 4.

1437. John Levingtoun, *Prepositus* (4th June).

Alan de Laweder, Walter Hog, John Yhule, *Bailies.*
Robert de Bonkle, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 58, 59.

An ordinance dated 22d January 1437–8 bears to have been made by the "alderman, bailies, counsale, and mony of the commouns."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 136.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 5.

.... Alexander Naper, *Prepositus* (13th February and 8th March).

Thomas de Prestoun, Adam Cant (13th February), William Gray (8th March), *Bailies.*
Robert de Bonkil, *Dean of Guild* (13th February).

George de Laweder, Allan Farnyle, William Cameroun, Thomas de Berwik, Robert Gray, Clement Farnely, Alan Naper, John Leberton, Patrick Foulis, William Purrok, Richard Lame, John Bighome, John Dalrumpil, Robert Nudry, Walter Purrok, Walter Yhoung, Henry Whitehеid, George Fische, John Lame, David Lauerok, John Swift, Robert de Fargushil, Alexander Stanelie, John Yhuil, Adam de Carkettil, and John Brown Clerk, *of the Council* (13th February).
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 59, 60, 61, 63.

1438. Thomas de Cranstoun, *Prepositus* (31st December).

Thomas de Prestoun, Robert Nudre, and William Gray, *Bailies.*
William Purrok, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 95.

1439. ———— ————, *Alderman.*

An act of date 1st June 1439 bears to have been passed by the "alderman, the bailies, and the counsale of the toun, and sundrie of the communitie," before the Chancellor [Chamberlain?].

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 132.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 6.

.... Thomas de Cranstoun, *Prepositus* (26th September).

Thomas de Prestoun, Robert de Nudre, and William Gray, *Bailies.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 66.

A.D.

1442. ——— ———

Oswald Gilmoreson, *Bailie of Leith* (4th December).

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 94.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 6.

On 24th November 1442, an ordinance in regard to watching bears to be by the "dusane and the consale of the toun, and be the haill deliuerance of thame."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 181.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 6, 5.

1443. ——— ———

William Yhung and William Gray, *Bailies* (25th March).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 68, 69.

.... Thomas de Berwic, *Prepositus* (20th December).
Laurence de Elfinstoun, and Lancelot de Abernethi, *Bailies.*
Adam Cant, *Dean of Guild.*
John de Dalrymple, *Treasurer.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 70.

1445. Thomas de Cranstoun, *Prepositus* (15th September).
Thomas de Prestoun and Lancelot de Abernethi, *Bailies.*
Adam Cant, *Dean of Guild.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 71, 72.

By Charter under the great seal, dated 25th September 1445, King James II., with consent of the burgesses and merchants of Edinburgh, authorised certain taxes or tolls to be uplifted at Leith during his pleasure, for enlarging and repairing the port.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxvii. p. 66.

.... Stephen Hunter, *Provost* (16th October).

Tytler's History of Scotland, vol. iii. p. 503.

1446. Patrick de Cokburn, *Prepositus* (15th March).
Lancelot de Abernethi, Mathew de Camera, *Bailies.*
John Dalrymple, *Dean of Guild.*
Simon Schele, *Treasurer.*
Thomas Broun, Clerc,[1] *Common Clerk, Notary Public.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 79, 96.

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[1] See footnote, A.D. 1425.

A.D.

1447. Patrick de Cokburne, *Prepositus* (15th June and 25th January).

Lancelot de Abernethy, William Gray (15th June), James de Balbirny, and William Gray, *Bailies* (25th January).
Adam Cant, *Dean of Guild* (25th January).
John de Dalrymple, *Treasurer* (25th January).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 74, 80.

By Letters of Gift under the privy seal, dated Edinburgh, 8th September 1447, King James II. granted to the "prouest, counsail and communitie of our burgh of Edynburgh," his right to certain lands within the burgh in arrear of finance.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxviii. p. 68.

And by a Charter under his great seal, dated Edinburgh, 24th November 1447, the same King infeft "prepositum, balliuis, consale et communitatem burgi nostri de Edinburgh," in Trinity Fair.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxix. p. 69.

1448. John de Dalrumpill, *Bailie* (23d April).

Rotuli Scotiae, vol. ii. p. 332.

.... Patrick de Cokburne, *Prepositus* (30th November).

John Lamb, and John de Farnyle, *Bailies*.
Adam Cant, *Dean of Guild*.
Thomas Smyth, *Treasurer*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 85.

James Balbirny, *Bailie*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 66.

Robert Gray, *Bailie*, of Leith.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 97.

1449. Patrick de Cokburn, *Prepositus, and Governor of the Castle of Edinburgh* (22d August).

Rymer's Fœdera, Tom. xi. p. 229.
Rotuli Scotiae, Vol. II., pp. 334, 336.

.... Thomas de Cranstoun, *Prepositus* (26th November).

Walter Yhong, John de Haukerstoun, and Mathew de Camera, *Bailies*.
Adam Cant, *Dean of Guild*.
John Lamb, *Treasurer*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 97.

A.D.

1450. ——— ———, *Provost.*

By a Charter under the great seal, dated Stirling, 30th April 1450, King James II. empowered the "provest and communitie of Edynburgh" to fortify the burgh in such manner as might seem most expedient to them.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxx. p. 70.

...., Thomas de Cranstoun, *Prepositus* (12th January).

John de Halkerstoun, Matthew de Camera, and Richard de Farnele, *Bailies.*

Adam Cant, *Dean of Guild.*

John Lamb, *Treasurer.*

An Act of Council, dated 12th January 1450, refers to the "concilium et duodene" of the burgh as if it were one and the same body.

MS. Extracts from the Records of the Town Council of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 38.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 9.

Another ordinance in the same year bears to have been made in the Chamberlain Court held in the Tolbooth before the Chamberlain.

MS. Extracts from the Records of the Town Council of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 181.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 12.

1451. Thomas de Cranstoun, *Prepositus* (30th July and 1st September).

John de Haukerstoun, and Mathew de Cammera, *Bailies* (30th July); Richard de Farnele, *Bailie* (1st September).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 94, 101.

By Charter under the great seal, dated Stirling, 9th November 1451, King James II. exempted the burgesses and community of the Burgh of Edinburgh from the payment of custom on salt and skins.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxxi. p. 71.

1452. ——— ———

Thomas Prestoun, James Boncle, John Cairnis, *Bailies.*[1]

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Record Society), p. 14.

[1] Elected in the Head Court after Michaelmas.

A.D.

1454. Alexander Napare, *Prepositus* (15th September).

John Haukerstoun, Thomas de Levingtoune, and Lancelot de Abernethy, *Bailies*.
Simon Schele, *Dean of Guild*.
John Lamb, *Treasurer*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 105.

By Letters Patent under the great seal, dated Edinburgh, 4th November 1454, King James II. granted in perpetuity to the burgesses of the burgh of Edinburgh certain taxes and rates from ships arriving at the port and road of Leith.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxxii. p. 74.

.... Alexander Napare, *Provost* (5th November).

William of Caribris, Andrew Craufurd, and Richard Patinson, *Bailies*.

MS. Registrum Cartarum Monasterie de Cambuskenneth, pp. 95, 96.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxxiv. p.

By Letters Patent under the great seal, dated Edinburgh, 5th November 1454, King James II. appointed the Parliament of the Four Burghs to be held yearly at Edinburgh.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxxiii. p. 76.

A Bond, dated 11th January 1454–5, and an indenture dated the following day, bear to be granted by the provost, baillies, counsale, and communitie of the burgh of Edinburgh.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, Nos. xxxiv. and xxxv. pp. 79–80.

1455. Alexander Napare, *Prepositus* (13th June).

William of Caribris, Andrew Craufurd (13th June), and Richard Patinson (17th June), *Bailies*.

MS. Registrum Cartarum Monasterie de Cambuskenneth, p. 96.

1456. Thomas Oliphant, *Provost* (26th June).

Lancelot de Abirnethe, William Vernour, and Alexander Schele, *Bailies*.
John Lamb, *Dean of Guild*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 108.

On 13th September 1456 an ordinance bears to have been made by the "provest, baillies, and counsale of the toun."

Council Records of Edinburgh, Vol. I. fol. 35.

An Act of date 6th October 1456, sets forth what was then old use and custom of electing the provost and office-bearers of the burgh.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 14, 15.

By Charter under the great seal, dated Edinburgh, 13th August 1456, King James II. granted "preposito balliuis et communitate burgi nostri de Edinburgh," the valley or low ground between the rock called Craigengalt and the road to Leith, afterwards called the Greenside.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xxxvi. p. 82.

A.D.

1457. Alexander Napier of Merchamestone, *Provost.*

Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.

Tacks of the lands and annual rents of the burgh, made on 10th November 1457, before the provost, bailies, and community of the burgh.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 96.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 15.

1458. ——— ———

Three bailies and sundry officers were elected in the Head Court after Michaelmas in this year, but their names are not recorded. The "duodene" appears to have consisted in this year of only thirty-eight persons.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 2, 18.

1462. ——— ———

John Fawside, *Bailie* (April).

Registrum S. Marie de Newbottle (Bannatyne Club), p. 250.

.... ———— ————, *Provost.*

A provost, dean of guild, treasurer, water-bailie, and other officers were elected in the Head Court after Michaelmas in this year, but their names are not recorded. The "duodene burgi" are stated to have consisted of thirty-two persons.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.

An ordinance in the same year bears to have been passed by the provost, baillies, counsall, and communitie of the town.

Council Records of Edinburgh, Vol. I. fols. 2, 35, 78.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society, p. 19.

.... Andrew Kerr, *Prepositus* (19th October).

Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.

1463. ——— ————, *Provost.*

A provost, dean of guild, treasurer, water-bailie, and other officers were elected at the Head Court of Michaelmas in this year, but their names are not recorded. The "duodene burgi" are stated to have consisted of thirty-two persons.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 20.

By Charter, dated 2d January 1463–4, King Henry VI. of England granted to the community of Edinburgh the right to traffic in England on payment of the same dues as those paid by the citizens of London.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xli. p. 119.

A.D.

1464. ——— ———

Francis Knythsoun, *Bailie* (23d December).

Registrum S. Marie de Newbottle, p. 252.

1466. ——— ———

By Charter, dated Stirling, 21st October 1466, under his great seal, King James III., on the desire of the "prepositus ballui consules burgenses et communitas" of the burgh of Edinburgh, consented to the erection of the parish church of St Giles into a Collegiate Church.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLII. p. 120.

1467. ——— ———

By a Bull, dated Rome, 22d February 1467, Pope Paul II., on the petition "prepositi balivorum et consulum laicorum ac universitas" of the town of Edinburgh, granted commission to the bishop of Galloway and the abbot of Holyrood to erect the church of St Giles into a Collegiate church.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLIII. p. 121.

.... Robert Mure of Polkellie, *Provost* (14th March).

Maitland's History of Edinburgh, p. 226.

David de Kyncade, John Turing, George de Pennycuk, *Bailies*.
Thomas Folkert, *Dean of Guild*.

Registrum S. Marie de Newbottle, pp. 263, 268, 270.

Thomas Unthank, *Common Clerk* (March).

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 23.

1468. ——— ———

George de Pennicuk, *Bailie* (22d July).

Registrum S. Marie de Newbottle, p. 272.

1469. Alexander Napier of Merchamestoune, *Provost* (20th November).

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 93.

Patrick Logane of Cotfelde, *Bailie of Leith*.[1]

Liber Sancte Marie de Melros, vol. ii. p. 595.

1470. ——— ———

By a Bull, dated Rome, 30th April 1470, Pope Paul II., on the petition "regis balivorum prepositi consulum et universitas" of the town of Edinburgh, exempted the Collegiate church of St Giles, with its clergy, from the jurisdiction of the Bishop of St Andrews, and subjected the same directly to the Holy See.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLV. p. 128.

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[1] Constituted by Robert Logan, Laird of Restalrig (25th January).

A.D.

1470. Sir Alexander Naper of Merchamestoun, *Prepositus* (September).

John Butelare, George Pennicuke, Thomas Stanelie, *Bailies.*
Patrick Baroune, *Dean of Guild.*
John Fauside, *Treasurer.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 118

Patrick Logan of Cotfield, *Bailie of Leith* (10th September).

Inventory of City Charters, vol. v. p. 261.

1471. Sir Alexander Napier of Merchamestoune, *Pvroost.*

Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.

By Letters under the privy seal, dated Edinburgh, 16th November 1471, King James III. granted to the "provest balyeis and communitie" of the burgh of Edinburgh, certain customs and duties for repairing the port and haven of Leith.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xlvi. p. 133.

1472. ——— ———, *Provost.*

By Letters under the privy seal, dated Stirling, 28th April 1472, King James III. charged the inhabitants of Edinburgh to assist in fortifying the town, and his sheriff and deputies the "prouoste and bailleis of the samyn burgh" to cause the charge to be obeyed.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. xlvii. p. 134.

.... ——— ———, *Provost.*

An ordinance, dated 3d July 1472, bears to have been made "by the provest, bailies and counsall of Edinburgh."

Council Records of Edinburgh, Vol. I. fols. 36, 78.

Three bailies and other officers were elected on 6th October, but their names are not recorded.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 25, 26.

1473. ——— ———, *Provost.*

A Seal of Cause to the hatmakers was granted by the provost, bailies, and counsale of the burgh on 18th February 1473.

Transcript in the Archives of the City.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 26.

A.D.

1474. ———— ————, *Provost.*

A provost, three bailies, a water-bailie, and other officers were elected on 5th October, but their names are not recorded.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.

William Farnely, *Common Clerk* (2d December).

A Seal of Cause to the skinners was granted by the provest, bailyeis, and consale on 2d December.

Original Seal of Cause in the possession of the Incorporation of Skinners.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 28.

1475. ———— ————, *Provost.*

Alexander Turing, David Quhytehed, Bartillmo Carnis, *Bailies* (15th October).
Alexander Richertson, *Dean of Guild.*

A Seal of Cause to the wrights and masons was granted by the "provest, ballies, counsale, and the dekynnis of the hale craftismen" of the burgh on 15th October.

Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. 22, No. 62.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. lxix.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 31.

A Seal of Cause to the wobstaris was granted by the provost, bailies, and counsale of the burgh on 31st January 1475–6.

Original Seal of Cause in the possession of the Incorporation of Websters.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 33.

1477. ———— ————, *Provost.*

By Letters under the privy seal, dated Edinburgh, 3d October 1477, King James III. ratified certain statutes made in virtue of his "speciale charge" by the "provest, balyeis, and counsale" of the burgh of Edinburgh, in regard to the places of holding markets in the burgh.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLIX. p. 140.

.... James Creichtoun of Rothuen or Rowen, *Prepositus* (December and 14th January).
William Rynde, Patrick Balbirny, and Alexander Boncle or Bonkyll, *Bailies* (December and 14th January).
Alexander Richardsone, *Dean of Guild* (December and 14th January).
John Bonkill, *Treasurer* (December).
Richard Lawsoun (?) and William Farnle, *Common Clerks* (December).

John Napare de Rusky, George Bartrahame, Henry Cant, Patrick Baroun, Bartholomew de Carnys, Jacob Atkynsoun, David Whitehede, *Councillors and Burgesses* (December).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 124, 135.

A.D.

1478 James Creichtoun of Rothven, *Prepositus* (28th May and 3d July).

William Rynde or Rend (28th May, 8th June, and 3d July), Patrick Balbyrny (28th May and 3d July), Alexander Boncle or Bonkile (1st and 8th June and 3d July), *Bailies*.

Alexander Rich or Richardsoun (28th May, 1st and 8th June, and 3d July), *Dean of Guild*.

John Boncle or Bonkile, *Treasurer* (28th May and 3d July).

William Fayrle, *Common Clerk*.

Patrick Barroun, George Bertraham, James Akman, Thomas Stanle, David Kincade, David Quhithede, John Turing, *Councillors* (3d July).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 127, 131, 140.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. pp. 110, 116, 120.
Acta Dominorum Auditorum, p. 58.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.

An ordinance in regard to the ingathering of the burgh maills, dated February 1478–9, proceeds in name of the "provest, the greitt dusane of the toune, and dyvers vther nichtbouris all with ane consent."

By an act of Council in this year, the provost was allowed £20 of the common purse yearly to his fee "for honour and worschip of the toune."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 94.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 36–37.

1479. ——— ———

William Farnly, *Common Clerk* (December and 20th January.)

Foundation Charter of the Hospital of St Paul in Leith Wynd, by Thomas Bishop of Aberdeen, dated 20th January.—Inventory of Writs in City Chambers, p. 4.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 37.

1480. ——— ———

David Crawfurd, James Akeman, and Alexander Gray, *Bailies* (22d March).

Acta Dominorum Concilii, p. 24.

Thomas of Yhar, *Treasurer* (29th September).

MS. Receipt by Mr William Forbes, Provost of the Collegiate Kirk of St Giles, in the archives of the City.

On 10th November 1480, the lands and annual rents of the town were set for a year, "coram preposito et balluis et communitate."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 96.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 38.

A.D.

1481. William Bertraham, *Provost.*

Wilson's Memorials of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 19.

Thomas Tod, Ewmond Chisholme, William Turnour, Andro Gray, Johne Patersoun, Archibald Todrik, Alexander Bonkill, Roger Moray, Dauid Crawford, David Lawsoun, Thomas M'Colme, William Barroun, Alexander Gray, William of Dunsyare, Johne of Lawder, Johne M'Clennane, Thomas of Wod, Alexander Crawford, David Quhyteheid, Patrik Barroun, Thomas Cant, Johne of Prestoune, Johne Hoppar, Robert Vans, Thomas Carkettill, William of Rynd, John Barcare, Gilbert Fische, Robert Hathwy, Andro Cramby, Jhone Haukin, William Blak, Jhone Fowlare, tailyeour, Jhone Towart, Thomas Cranstoun, James Smyth,—*Great Dusane and Deacons.*

Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 26.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 40.

A note, bearing date 1481, states that the Provost was, for the first time, allowed an annual fee of £20 out of the common purse in this year. But see note in 1478.

Council Records, vol. i. fol. 76.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 40.

1482. William Bartraham, *Prepositus* (4th August).

Rymer's Fœdera, tom. xii. p. 167.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, Nos. li. and lii.

On 4th August 1482, the provost and whole fellowship of the merchants, burgesses, and community of the town of Edinburgh, engaged to repay to King Edward IV. of England the sum advanced by him as the dowry of his daughter the Princess Cicely, in the event of the proposed marriage between her and Prince James (afterwards King James IV. of Scotland) being broken off.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. li.

.... Sir John Murray of Tulchad, Knight, *Prepositus* (10th November).

James Richardsoune, *Bailie.*
Adam Halkerstoun, *Treasurer.*

On 10th November 1482, the mills and rents of the burgh were set for a year, "per prepositum dominum Johannem Murray balluis consules et communitatem."

Council Records, vol. i. fol. 31.

Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 41.

Richard Lawson, *Common Clerk* or *Recorder* (27th and 29th October).

Rymer's Foedera, tom. xii. p. 167.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. lii.

A.D.

1482. Patrick Baron, of Spittlefield, *Provost* (27th and 29th October, and 16th November).

David Crauforde, Patrick Balbirny of Balbirny, Archibald of Totrig, *Bailies* (27th October and 16th November).
John Fowlare, *Dean of Guild* (16th November).
Thomas Yare, *Treasurer* (16th November).
William Farnely, *Common Clerk* (16th November).

John Napare, Henry Cant, William Rynde, Andrew Cramby, Robert Bonkill, William Synclare, James Akeman, William Turnour, James Richardsone, Alexander Crauford, Thomas Carketill, and Robert Fokcart, *Councillors* (16th November).

Charter of Sheriffship by King James III., and also Charter by the same King of customs from the port and harbour of Leith, both granted to the provost, bailies, treasurer, dean of guild, common clerk, councillors, and community, and their successors, of date 16th November 1482.

Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, Nos. LIV. and LV.
Precedence of Edinburgh and Dublin, p. 18.
Inventory of City Charters, vol. i. pp. 33–39.

1483. Sir Patrick Baron, of Spittlefield, Knight, *Provost* (2d May and 1st March).

Patrick Balbyrnie of that Ilk, David Craufurd of St Giles Grange (2d May), and Archibald Todrik (2d May and 3d June), *Bailies*.

A Seal of Cause granted to the Hammermen by the provost and bailies, "with the consent and advyse of the counsall," dated 2d May 1483.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 145.
Council Records, vol. i. fol. 48.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 144.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 47.

.... John Naper, *Prepositus* (16th and 20th February).

Acta Dominorum Auditorum, pp. 127*, 131*.

1484. John Naper de Merchamstoun, *Prepositus* (17th May).

Acta Dominorum Auditorum, p. 138*.

An act, dated 5th October 1484, appoints "consules ville anni presentis" "John Cant, Ninian Peblis, and others tuelf in number!" (whose names are not recorded), "and John Halkerstoun, assessour ville," to meet twice a week and "commoun vpone the common proffeit of the toune."

Alexander Gray, *Master of the werk for the year to come.*

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 50.

A.D.

1485. John Murray, *Prepositus* (10th November).

Alexander Hepburn of Quhitsum and David Quhithead, *Bailies.*
Laurence Tailliefer, *Treasurer.*

On 10th November 1485, the mills, customs and annual rents of the burgh were set by the provost, "the community being specially assembled for this purpose according to the effect and tenor of the acts of the magistrates, as custom was."

Writs of Lord Elibank.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 20.
Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 107.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 51, 52.

1486. Sir Patrick Barron, Knight, *Provost.*

Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.

On 3d October 1486, an act in regard to "cramers" was passed by the "provest, baillies, and counsale of the toune."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 181.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 52.

1487. John Murray, *Prepositus* (17th May).

William Rynd, David Craufurd, John Boncle, *Bailies.*
Thomas Malcolm, *Dean of Guild.*

Henry Cant, Thomas Tod, Dauid Quhitheid, John Barcare, John Twedy, James Turyng, George Towris, Thomas Shaw, John Prestone, Richard Hoppar, John Levingtoun, Andrew Hervy, *Councillors.*
Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 107.

.... Patrick Hepburne Lord Hales, *Lord Provost* (8th August and 29th September).

James of Creechtoun of Felde, *President* (8th August).

The minute of the election of Lord Hailes is curious, as containing the first known application of the title of "Lord Provost," and also as empowering him to elect deputes and presidents.

MS. Volume of Extracts from Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 52.

On 15th August 1487, "the provest, baillies, counsale, and deikynis of the toune" passed an act in regard to the feeing of the common pipers.

MS. Volume of Extracts from Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.

And on 16th November 1487, the "provest, baillies, and counsall of the toune" passed an act in regard to selling meal.

Council Records, vol. i. fol. 77.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 52, 53.

A.D.

1488. Thomas Tod, *Provost* (11th April).

George Touris, James of Cubing, and Thomas of Yare, *Bailies*.
John Foular, *Dean of Guild*.
John of Tuedy, *Treasurer*.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, dean of guild, treasurer, and the "laiff of the counsall of the toun and burgh," to the fleshers, dated 11th April 1488.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 51.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 54.

.... James Creichton, *Prepositus* (28th August).

John Foulis, *Dean of Guild*.

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 108.

1489. ——— ———, *Provost*.

George Barcar, *Dean of Guild* (8th January).

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 109.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provest, baillies, and counsall of the burgh to the coopers, dated 26th August 1489.

Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. 22, No. lxii.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 57.

1490. Alexander Hepburn of Quhitsum, *Provost*.

Protocol Book of James Young, N.P. (Canongate Records), vol. iii. p.

A memorandum, dated 25th June 1490, gives a list of twenty-seven names of sum honest persons of the toun bearing office, and of twelve deikins, after which it states that the "haill counsale, deikynis, and community consented to the assedation of the space of the Boroughmuir."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 94.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 58.

An act against swine being on the streets, dated 1st February 1490–1, bears to have been made by the provest and counsal.
An act in regard to victual and timber coming into Leith, dated *circa* 1490, bears to have been enacted by "the provest, bailies, counsall, and deikynis of the craftis."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fols. 181, 132.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 58, 60.

A.D.

1491. Sir Thomas Tod, *Provost* (22d August).

Council Records of Aberdeen, vol. vii. p. 709, as given in printed Records of the Convention of Royal Burghs, vol. i. p. 504.

John Fowlare, *Dean of Guild* (21st August).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 159.

On 28th August 1491, the bailies, as sheriffs within the burgh, denounced certain persons at the Market Cross for slaughter.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 95.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records (Society), p. 60.

On 17th January 1491–2 a head court of the burgh and sheriffdom of Edinburgh was held by the bailies in the Tolbooth.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 80.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 62.

In 1491 a statute for the government of the masons of St Giles was passed by the "provest, dean of guild, bailies, and counsale of the burgh."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 2.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 61.

John Patersoun, *Treasurer*, 1491–2.

MS. Volume of Extracts from Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 64.

1492. Mr Richard Lawson, *Provost* (2d May).

Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.

A note, of date April 1492, refers to four keepers of the common seal.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 2,
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 62.

On 24th May 1492 the bailies and others indebted to the town were ordered by the provost and counsal to enter into ward.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 95.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 62.

John Barcar, *Dean of Guild* (25th May).

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 109.

A.D.

1492. Sir JOHN MURRAY, *President* (6th October).

An ordinance, dated 6th October 1492, bears to have been made by the president, bailies, counsale, greitt dusane, and deikins; and the following are given as the names of those who consented to it besides the president:—Andro Bertram, James Richertsoun, Henry Prestoun, David Crawfurd, John Lawder, George Edwartsoun, Roger Murray, Adam Halkerstoun, Johne Twedy, Robert Rynde, John Bercare, William Knox, John Quhyteheid, Henry Aichinsoun, Robert Wardlaw, John Levingtoun, Stevin Borthuic, Archibald Todrik, Thomas Turnour, Alexander Stanely, Robert Bruce, James Rychtsoun younger, Mr James Henrysoun, Androw Gray, Henry Rynde, Franskyne Peblis, James Touris, William Dunsyre, Thomas Harvy, David Quhyte, baxter, Thomas Esdale, wobster, James Harlawbankes, skynner, John Flemyng, fleschour, Walter Martzeoun, masoun, John Cranstoun, wright, Thomas Ra, smith, Patrick Forester, goldsmith, David Quhyteheid, John Williamsoun, and the haill body of the toun.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 95.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 63.

An ordinance, dated 19th October 1492, by the hale dusane of the toun, prescribes the fines to be paid by absentees from "the counsale in the working of the commoun proffeit." The fines were appointed "to be drukken be the dusane"; and it was enacted that "ilk dusane day the commoun proffeit be spoken of and sene to, or any playntes or vther thingis be hard."

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 2.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 64, 65.

.... Sir JOHN MURRAY of Touchadam, *Prepositus* (19th December).

Andrew Bertrem, James Akeman, James Richertsoun, Thomas Hervy, *Bailies* (19th December).

John Fowlar, *Dean of Guild* (19th December).

Adam Halkerstoun, *Treasurer* (19th October and 19th December).

Alexander Gray, *Common Clerk* (19th December).

Sir Thomas Tod, Henry Cant, Walter Bertrem, Alexander Stanelie, Robert Rind, George Towris. John Barcar, *Burgesses and Councillors* (19th December).

Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. xiii. No. 48.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 164.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 2.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 64.

A.D.

1493. Sir John Murray of Tulchad, *Prepositus*.

Henry Rynd, *Treasurer*.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 19.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 66.

John Levingtoun, *Bailie* (9th November).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 173.

John Foulare, *Dean of Guild*.

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 110.

1494. Walter Bertraham, *Provost* (4th February and 14th March).

Andrew Bertram, Stephen Borthuik, Robert Bonkill, *Bailies*.
John Wilyhamesone, *Treasurer*.
John Fowlar, *Dean of Guild*.
Alexander Gray, *Common Clerk*.

David Crawfurd, John Boncle, George Towris, John Levingtoun, *Councillors*.
Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 5.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 173, 179.

1495. ——— ———

On 24th February 1495 a court was held before the bailies.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 36.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 69.

1496. ——— ——— *Provost*.

An act was passed by the provest, bailies, and counsale in regard to the entering of ships, on 10th November 1496, and in regard to the "ordoure of setting of the commoun mylns and commoun gude of the toun," on 8th March 1496–7.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fols. 2, 75.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 97.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 70.

1497. ——— ——— *Provost*.

An order by the King and his Privy Council directed to the provost and bailies, and their act following thereon relative to the grandgore, is dated 22d September 1497.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 33.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 204.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 71.

A.D.

1498. Sir Thomas Tod, *Provost* (10th August).

William Carmichaell, Thomas Chisholme, James Aikman, *Bailies*.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 32.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 73.

An act in regard to the pest, dated 17th November 1498, bears to have been passed by the provost, bailies, and council.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 209.
Extracts from the Council Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 74.

1499. ——— ——— *Provost*.

Acts in regard to the pest, dated 27th November 1499 and 19th February 1499–1500, bear to have been passed by the provost, bailies, and council.[1]

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fols. 204, 210.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 76, 77.

1500. Alexander Lauder, *Provost* (22d April and 8th December).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 37.
Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. ii. p. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 87.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, and council of the burgh to the walkers, dated 20th August 1500.

Original in the possession of the Incorporation of Walkers.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 80.

A Seal of Cause granted by the same parties to the tailors, dated 26th August 1500.

Maitland's History of Edinburgh, p. 301.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 82.

John Williamsoun, John Adamesoun (8th December, January, 19th March), William Todrik (8th December, 20th October, January), Stephen Borthwik (8th December and January), *Bailies*.

William Carmychell, *Treasurer*.

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 8.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 36.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 87, 89.

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[1] Subsequent to this date, the acts of council usually bear to have been passed by the provost, bailies, and council.

A.D.

1501. Alexander Lauder, *Provost* (22d and 30th April, 5th June, 30th July, and October).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 37.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. pp. 7, 11; Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 149.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 90, 91.

Richard Lausoun (5th June), John Williamsoun (5th June, 20th and 30th July), Steven Borthwik (19th and 26th March, 30th July), John Adamsoun (19th March, 5th June, 14th August), William Todrik (2d August), *Bailies*.

William Carmychel, *Treasurer* (19th March, 30th July).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. pp. 7, 11, 12; Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 149.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 91.

.... George of Tours, *Prepositus* (20th October, 20th November).

John Bissat (12th and 20th October), William Goldsmyth (20th October, 18th December), *Bailies*.

John Foulare, *Dean of Guild* (20th November).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. pp. 16, 19, 20; Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 150.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 92.

1502. Alexander Lauder, *Prepositus* (17th January).

William Goldsmyth (17th June), John Levingtoun (16th and 18th January, 5th March), William Carmichell (17th January), William Todrik (17th January, and 8th and 18th May), Thomas Kerkatill (30th December, 23d March), *Bailies*.

William Scheresmyth, *Treasurer*.

John Fowlar, *Dean of Guild*.

Mr James Henrysoun, *Common Clerk*.

George Touris, Robert Rynd, William Bothuile, John Bissate, Walter Cant *Burgesses and Councillors*.

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. fol. 40.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 189.

1503. Alexander Lauder, *Provost* (11th March).

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 239.
Protocol Books of James Young, N.P. (Canongate Records), vol. x.

On 2d September 1503, an ordinance was passed by the provost and bailies, "scheriffs within this burgh."

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 30.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 98.

A.D.

1504. Sir Alexander Lauder of Haltoun, *Prepositus* (16th and 22d April).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. p. 77.
Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.

Patrick Richertsoun, *Treasurer* (31st May).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 30.
MS. Volume of Extracts from Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 110.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 99.

.... Mr Richard Lawsoun of Hieriggs, *Prepositus* (25th January).

Alexander Creichtoun, William Lokkert, William Goldsmyth (25th January), Mr Alexander Borthwic (25th January, 18th February), *Bailies*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 191.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. fol. 92.

1505. Richard Lawsoun, *Prepositus* (9th May, October).

Alexander Creichtoun (9th May), John Levington (9th November), *Bailies*.

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. pp. 97, 106; Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 150.
MS. Volume of Extracts from Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 81.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, and council of the burgh to the surgeons and barbers, dated 1st July 1505.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 50.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 101.

.... Alexander Lauder, *Provost* (October, 17th January).

MS. Volume of Extracts from Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 81.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. p. 169.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 107, 108.

1506. Alexander Lauder, *Prepositus* (13th August).

John Levingtoun, *Bailie*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 193.
Inventory of City Charters, vol. i. p. 603.

A.D.

1507. Alexander Lauder, *Prepositus* (13th and 23d March).

William Foular, *Dean of Guild* (23d March).

Register of the Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 115, vol. ii. p. 1.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 112.

Letter of Gift by King James IV., under his privy seal, to the burgh and to the provost, bailies, and community thereof, his sheriffs within the same, altering the time of holding All-Hallow Fair and Trinity Fair, dated 2d November 1507.

Inventory of City Charters, vol. i. p. 14.

1508. ——— ———, *Provost.*

Patrick Richartsoun, *Treasurer* (10th April).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 25.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 113.

.... Alexander Lauder, *Provost* (27th May), and *Justice Depute* (16th June and 26th January).

Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i. part ii. p. 51.

John Levington (30th August and 30th September), William Hopper (30th September), *Bailies.*

William Foular, *Dean of Guild* (26th January).

Register of the Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 115.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. p. 12; Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 148.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 26.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 117.

William Goldsmith, *Water Bailie of Leith* (8th June).

Vincent Strathauchin's Protocol Book, vol. i. p. 5.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 114, 115.

On 6th October 1508, King James IV., by charter under the great seal, dated at Edinburgh, empowered the provost, bailies, and council to set or feu the common mure and common myre for augmenting the common good.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.

On 29th November 1508, the "provest, baillies, and greit counsale, and ane part of the craftsmen of the toun" refused to accede to a petition by "ane vther part of the craftsmen of the samyn" to have six or eight of them in the daily council of the burgh.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fols. 26–49.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 118.

A.D.

1509. Alexander Lauder, *Prepositus* (30th May, 19th July, 16th October, 26th January).

Old MS. List of Provosts in the possession of David Laing, Esq.
Protocol Book of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. i. p. 17.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. fols. 214–224.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 122, 126.

William Lokhart, *Bailie* (17th March).

William Foular, *Dean of Guild* (26th January, 17th March.)

Protocol Book of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. i. p. 47.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. pp. 224, 232.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 126.

On 15th May 1509, an act was passed by the provost, bailies, council, and kirkmasters relative to the websters and walkers.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 27.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 122.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, and council to the cordiners, dated 4th February 1509–10.

Original Seal of Cause in the possession of the Incorporation of Cordiners.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 127.

1510. Alexander Lauder of Blyth, *Provost* (11th October, 27th February).

William Hoppar (11th October, 27th February) and Walter Young (11th October, 27th February, 21st March), *Bailies.*

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, pp. 203–261.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. fol. 247.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 130.

A Charter by King James IV., under his great seal, dated 9th March 1510, to the provost, bailies, council, burgesses, and community, confirming Sir Robert Logan's charter of 1398, and the charters of King James III., of the sheriffship and customs in 1482.

Inventory of City Charters, vol. i. p. 38.

A Charter by the same king, under his great seal, of the same date, to the provost, bailies, council, and community, of the lands and harbour of Newhaven, with the haven silver, &c.

Inventory of City Charters, vol. v. p. 407.

A.D.

1511. Sir Alexander Lauder of Blyth, *Provost* (24th April, 20th May, 1st January, 27th February).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. p. 250.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 3.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, in the Advocates Library.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 131.

William Hoppar (24th April, 20th May), Patrick Heriot (20th May), Walter Young (24th April), *Bailies.*
John Adamson, *Dean of Guild* (20th May).

Protocol Book of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. i. fol. 33.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. i. fol. 250.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 131, 132.

On 3d May 1511, the constable court was held before the provost and bailies.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 3.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 133.

In this and former years, the water bailie was chosen at Martinmas, along with the other bailies.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 3.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 133.

1512. Sir Alexander Lauder of Blyth, *Provost* and *Justice-Depute* (27th April, 28th September, 5th November, 9th December, 8th January).

Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i. part ii. p. 76*, 79*, 82*, 84*.

Mr Adam Otterburne, *Common Clerk.*

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. ii. end of volume.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 136.

1513. Sir Alexander Lauder of Blyth,[1] *Prepositus and Justice-Depute* (5th April).

Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i. part ii. p. 85*.

.... George of Touris, *President* (19th August).

Robert Brus, William Lokkart, William Adamesone, and William Clerk, *for the Bailies.*

The election of these persons was made by the provost, bailies, council, and community on 19th August 1513, "for the common weill and proffeit of the toun and guid reull thairintill to be had efter thair passage to the King's armye."

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 4.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 141, 142.

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[1] Sir Alexander Lauder was slain at Flodden on 9th September 1513.—*Craufurd's Memoirs of Haltoun.*

A.D.

1513. Archibald Douglas, Earl of Angus,[1] *Provost* (30th September).

.... ———— ————, *President* (4th December, 17th March).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 5.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 144, 145.

Walter Yhoung, *Bailie*.

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 207.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, and council to the cordiners, dated 6th December 1513.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. viii. fol. 71.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 145.

1514. Alexander Lord Home, Great Chamberlain of Scotland, *Lord Provost* (24th May).

.... ———— ————, *President* (24th May).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 5.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 146.

.... David Mailvill, *President* (21st August).

Francis Touris, *Bailie* (21st August).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fols. 5, 6.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 148.

James of Johnston (4th October), John Ireland (4th, 7th, 23d, 24th, and 28th October), Patrick Barroun (2d, 4th, 23d, 24th, and 28th October), William Clark (4th and 23d October), *Bailies*.

John Adameson, William Adamesoun, Francis Touris, Mr Alexander Borthwik, Thomas Foulare, Patrick Flemyng, William Lokart, William Currour, John Levingtoun, John Marche, John Bruse, Bartelmo Wardlaw, and Hercules Stobs, *Councillors* (23d October.)

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. ii. p. 4.
MS. Volume of Extracts from Town Council of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fols. 169, 208.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 6.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 148, 149, 151, 152.

1515. ———— ————, *President* (26th March, 20th June, 11th and 14th August, 5th, 6th, 7th, 14th, 23d, and 26th October, 21st December).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 7.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 82.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 154, 155, 156.

[1] Better known as Archibald Bell-the-Cat.

A.D.

1515. Sir Patrick Hamilton, of Kincavil, *Provost* (16th October).

James Barroun, *Treasurer* (16th October).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 8.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 157.

.... David Melvill, *Provost, with Governor's advice* (17th October).[1]

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 8.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 158.

1516. David Mailvil, *Provost* (3d and 18th April, 3d and 6th October, 3d, 23d, and 24th January).

John Marioribanks (3d April), Edward Litill (3d and 18th April), Mr Francis Bothuell (22d August), *Bailies*.
Mr Adam Otterburn, *Common Clerk* (18th April).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fols. 8, 9.
Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 121.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 159, 160, 163, 164, 165.

John Irland, *Bailie* (4th and 24th January).

Registrum domus de Soltre, necnon Ecclesiæ Collegiate S. Trinitatis prope Edinburgh, &c. (Bannatyne Club), p. 264.
Protocol Book of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. i. fols. 100, 101; Proceedings of Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 157.

1517. Archibald Douglas, *Provost*.

Maitland's History of Edinburgh, p. 216.

.... ———— ————, *President* (16th November, 18th December).

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fols. 25, 82.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 172.

.... James Earl of Arran, Regent of Scotland, *Prepositus* (3d February).

.... John Hamilton, *President*.

Francis Touris, John Marioribanks, and Nicol Carncros, *Bailies*.
William Fowlar, *Dean of Guild*.
Mr Adam Otterburn, *Common Clerk*.

David Mailuile, Archibald Douglas, William Clerk, James of Prestoun, William Adamson elder, Robert Logane, Walter Chepman, John of Carmichel, Andro Moncur, *Councillors*.

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[1] "Non obstante electione prius facta hesterno die."

A.D.

1517. On this occasion, when the council was convened to consider as to the election of a depute clerk, and when the right of the principal clerk to appoint his depute was asserted and sustained, the crafts as well as the merchants were represented as under, and voted :—

For the crafts the following kirkmasters—William Rae of the hammermen, John of Muedlous of the tailors, Stephen Bell of the skinners, Ja. Litteljohn of the cordiners, William Cristisone of the fleshers, Walter Flecht of the barbers, John of Riddale of the websters.

For the merchants—William Carmichell, Adam Stewart, John Adamsoune elder, John Irland, Adam Hoppar, Mr Francis Bothuell, Thomas Horne, Thomas Bard, James Yong, William Brovne *alias* Albany Herald, William Mele, William Rind, William Elphinstone, and Thomas Cuke.

Protocol Book of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. i. p. 121.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. ii. pp. 33, 56.
Proceedings of Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 151.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 173, 176.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, and council to the candlemakers, dated 5th September 1517.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 53.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 170.

1518. James Earl of Arran, *Lord Provost* (12th and 17th April, 7th June, September, and December).

.... ———— ————, *President* (12th and 17th April, 8th October, and December).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. ii. fol. 56.
Proceedings of Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 153.
Bishop Lesley's History of Scotland (Bannatyne Club), p. 113.
MS. Volume of Extracts from Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 100.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 10.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 176–186.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, council, and community to the merchants, dated 10th December 1518.

Official Transcript in the Archives of the City.
Inventory of City Charters, vol. i. fol. 88.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 181.

1519. Archibald Douglas, *Provost* (20th November).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 11.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 193.

William Clerk (21st June), James Preston (5th July), Edward Littell (7th June, 29th July), Mr James Halaburtown (28th November, 24th December), Robert Bruse (10th December), William Lauder (28th February), Richard Lundy (23d March), *Bailies*.

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 2, 8, 9, 14, 16, 19, 26, 28.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 187.

A.D.

1519. On 21st February 1519, the provost was charged to cede his office under an order from the Lord Governor, by which it was declared that no person of the name of Douglas or Hammyltoun should be eligible as provost till the Lord Governor's homecoming, and for a year.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 11.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 194.

1520. Robert Logan of Coitfield, *Provost* (30th March, 12th April, and 27th September).

Richard Lundy (30th March), Mr James Haliburton (17th April), William Lauder (20th April), Robert Bruse (26th April), *Bailies*.
Adam Hoppar, *Dean of Guild* (27th September).
James Barroun, *Treasurer* (26th April).
Mr Adam Otterburn, *Common Clerk* (20th April).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 12.
Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 12.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 30, 32, 33, 34, 36.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 195, 196.

William Clark (10th October), Nicholays Carncors (16th October), Gilbert Lauder (15th November), Richard Lundy (17th September), Edward Kincaid (19th November), *Bailies*.

Mr Francis Bothuell, *Dean of Guild* (10th October).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 54–60.

On 30th March 1520, it was intimated to the bailies and council that the Lord Chancellor "was content that the town should choose any neighbour of the samyn whom they pleased to be their provost."

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 12.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 195.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, and council to the walkers, shearers, and bonnetmakers, dated 22d September 1520.

Original Seal of Cause in the possession of the Incorporation of Bonnetmakers.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 198.

On 6th October 1520, the provost, bailies, council, and kirkmasters, in the name of the community, granted to the provost one hundred merks of the common good, besides the ordinary fee, for the sustentation of four servants to bear halberts with him for a year, because "the warld is brukle and troublous."

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 13.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 201.

A.D.

1520. On 20th January 1520–1, James Earl of Arran, one of the Regents, engaged in a bond of maintenance with the provost, bailies, council, and community of Edinburgh, for amity and concord to be had between them for ever.

Original Bond in the Archives of the City.
Inventory of City Charters, vol. i. p. 95.

On 27th February 1520–1, the provost, bailies, and council granted a Seal of Cause to the websters.

Original Seal of Cause in the possession of the Incorporation of Websters.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 203.

1521. Robert Logane of Coitfield, *Provost* (16th July).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. p. 93.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 204, 205.

.... Archibald Douglas (nobilis vir), *Provost* (27th November and December).[1]

Illustrations of Scottish History (Maitland Club), p. 95.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 15.

William Clerk (21st March), Nicholays Carncors (8th April), Gilbert Lauder (15th April), Edward Kincaid (7th June), *Bailies.*

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 81–89.

Robert Bruse (8th October), Alexander Belschis (2d November), James Prestoun (9th November), William Adamson (20th November), *Bailies.*

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 99–102.

Edward Litill (21st September), Mr Francis Bothuell (2d January), Mr James Lawsoun (17th February), *Bailies.*

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 103–106.

1521. Adam Hoppar, *Dean of Guild* (27th November, 12th December, and 21st March.)

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. pp. 12, 13.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 208.

William Clerk, elected *Water Bailie* (7th February).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 14.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 208.

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[1] On 23d November 1521, the Duke of Albany, Governor of the Kingdom, came to Edinburgh, and deposed the provost and bailies, "quhilkis wes chusin be the meanes of the Erle of Angus, off thair offices," and others were elected.—Lesley's History of Scotland (Bannatyne Club), p. 116; Diurnal of Remarkable Occurrents in Scotland (Bannatyne Club), p. 7.

A.D.

1522. Mr Adam Otterburne, *Provost pro tempore* (10th July).

Mr James Lawsoun, Mr Francis Boithuile (10th July), Patrick Barroun (7th April, 10th July), Mungo Tennand, Symon Prestoun, Edward Kincaid (10th July), *Bailies pro tempore.*

Nichol Carncors, *Dean of Guild pro tempore* (10th July).

Robert Henrisoun, *Treasurer pro tempore* (10th July).

Vincent Strathauchin and John Foular, *Clerks to the Town pro tempore* (10th July).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 216.
Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. p. 109.

Adam Hoppar, *Dean of Guild* (29th November).

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 13.

.... Allan Stewart, *Provost* (9th and 24th January).

Mr Francis Bothuile (24th January, 12th March), Mr James Lawsoun, Patrick Barroun (24th January), Edward Littel (24th and 26th January), *Bailies.*

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 15.
Acta Dominorum Concilii, vol. xxxiii. p. 125.
Registrum Domus de Soltre, necnon Ecclesiæ Collegiate S. Trinitatis prope Edinburgh, &c. (Bannatyne Club), p. 267.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 211.

Mr Adam Otterburne, *Common Clerk* (24th January).

Protocol Book of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. i. p. 182.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 210.

A Seal of Cause granted by the provost, bailies, and council to the baxters, dated 20th March 1522–3.

Print of Seal of Cause in the possession of the Incorporation of Baxters.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 214.

1523. ——— ———

Patrick Baroun (18th November), William Adamsoun (15th December), Nicholays Carncros (24th December), John Marioribanks (14th January), James Preston (28th January), *Bailies.*

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 162–169.

Edward Litill, *Dean of Guild pro tempore* (20th January).

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 13.

1524. Mr Francis Bothwell, *Provost* (8th July, 18th August).
Edward Litill, *Dean of Guild.*

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, p. 13.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 16.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 219.

A.D.

1524. Robert Lord Maxwell, *Provost* (18th August).

Council Records of Edinburgh, fol. i. p. 15.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 219.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, ii. 259.

On 29th July 1524, the Queen mother "tuik the haill governement of the Realm and reule of the King (James V.) upoun her." . . . "Instantlie [18th August] the Quene causet discharge the provest of Edinburgh quha was chosen be the toune of befoire, and maid the Lord Maxwell provest thairof, quha tuik the haill reule and governement of the toun upoun him."

Lesley's History of Scotland (Bannatyne Club), p. 129.
Diurnal of Occurrents in Scotland (Bannatyne Club), p. 9.

On 18th August 1524, the Justice-Clerk appeared and declared to the council "that it wes the mynde and will" of the king that Mr Francis Bothwell, provost, "cedit and left his office of provestrie in the towns hand," and the said provost protested that the leaving of his office "swa, be na dirogatioun nor hourt nocht the priuilege of the toun."

On the same day Robert Lord Maxwell was, by command of the king, chosen provost by the common voice.

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 16.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 219.

.... James Prestoun, *President* (14th November) and *Justice-Depute* (7th January).

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 284.
Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i. part ii. p. 126*.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. fol. 17.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 220, 221.

1525. James Preston, *President* (4th May).

Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i. part ii. p. 129*.

1526. Archibald Douglas of Kilspindy, Lord Treasurer, *Prepositus* (13th June, 31st October, 21st, 24th, and 25th November, 26th January).

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. pp. 301, 304, 310, 312, 315, 316, 317.

Adam Johnstone, *Bailie* (25th September).

Protocol Book of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. ii. p. 38.
Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 160.

John Adamsoun (16th February, 21st March), Patrick Baron (16th February, 19th March), *Bailies*.

Edward Littel, *Dean of Guild* (21st March).

Kentigern Tenent, *Treasurer* (16th February).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iii. pp. 295, 303.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, p. 224.

Robert Henrysoune, *Treasurer*.

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 99.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 229.

A.D.

1527. ——— ———

William Sym, *Bailie* (15th August).

Registrum Cartarum Ecclesiæ S. Egidii de Edinburgh, St Giles's, p. 226.

Mungo Tennent, *Treasurer* (28th February).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 34.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 233.

William Lauder (11th December).

Protocol Books of Vincent Strathauchin, vol. ii. p. 63.
Proceedings of Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, vol. v. p. 162.

John Mariorybankis, *Dean of Guild pro tempore* (9th January).

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, p. 14.

1528. Robert Lord Maxwell, *Provost* (26th August).

Diurnal of Remarkable Occurrents in Scotland (Bannatyne Club), &c., p. 11.

John Mauchane, *Bailie* (2d October).

Protocol Book of John Foular, vol. iv. p. 25.

John Adamsoun, *Dean of Guild* (6th October).

Register of Guild Brethren of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 15.

John Purves, *Treasurer* (28th February 1527–8).

Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i. p. 34.
MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 101.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 233.

.... Mr Adam Ottirburn of Auldhame (His Majesty's Advocate), *Prepositus* (11th March).

MS. Volume of Extracts from the Council Records of Edinburgh, preserved in the Advocates Library, fol. 3.

LIST

OF

GOVERNORS, KEEPERS, AND CONSTABLES OF THE CASTLE OF EDINBURGH.

LIST OF GOVERNORS, &c.

A.D.

1107. THOMAS DE CANCIA, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, by Mr James Grant, p. 280.
Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbottle, p. 109.

1153-1165. GALFRID DE MAILVILLE, *Vicecomes de Castello Puellarum.*[1]
Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbotle, p. 122, xxxvi.

1165-1214. REGINALD, *Janitor Castelli*
Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbottle, p. 229, 289.

1171-77. RODBERT, *Janitor Castelli.*
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, p. 13.

1230-31. PHILIP DE MOUBRAY, *Constabularius.*
Registrum de Dunfermline, 107, 123, 124.

1251. WALTER CUMIN, Earl of Menteith, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 280.

1263. WILLIAM DE LYSURUS, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 280.

1278. Willielmus *Clericus Constabularii Castri de Edinburgh.*
Registrum de Dunfermline, pp. 52, 53.

1284. WILLIAM DE KINGHORN, *Constable* (July 1).
Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbottle, p 31.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 86**.

1288. WILLIAM DE KINGHORN, *Constable* (12th March).
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., p. 64.*

1292. WILLIAM DE KYNGGORN, *Governor.*
Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbottle, p. 292.

..... Sir RAUF BASSET DE DREYTON, *Constable.*
Rymer's Foedera (Record Edition), vol. ii., p. 772.
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., pp. 1, 3, 7, 12.
Acts of the Parliament of Scotland, vol. i., p. 4, 7, Appendix.

[1] The *Castellum Puellarum* was here put for the town: the Town had not yet obtained the privilege of having its own sheriff. Chambers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 574.

A.D.

1296. WALTER DE HUNTERCOMBE, *entrusted with the Castle of Edinburgh, and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, Linlithgow, and Haddington.*
Rymer's Foedera, vol. ii., p. 73.
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol i., p. 36.

1298. Sir JOHN DE KINGESTON, *Constable and Keeper.*
Acts of the Parliament of Scotland, vol. i., p. 15, App.

1299-1300. Sir JOHN DE KINGESTON, *Constable and Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
Wardrobe account, cited by Chalmers—Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 579.

1300. WILLIAM DE RUE, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 280.

1301. Sir JOHN DE KINGESTON, *Constable.*
Wardrobe account, cited by Chalmers—Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 888.

1305. SIR JOHN DE KINGESTON, *continued Constable.*
Ryley's Placita, 505, cited in Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 588.

1310. Sir PIERS DE LOMBARD [LUBAND?], *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 280.

1311. PETER LYBAND or LUBAND, *Keeper of the Castles of Edinburgh and Linlithgow.*
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., pp. 105, 106.
Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 375, note (f).

1312-13. PETER DE LUBAND, *Keeper of the Castles of Edinburgh and of Linlithgow.*
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., p. 111.
Monachi Malmesburiensis Vita Edwardi II., p. 144, cited by Tytler, History of Scotland, vol. i., p. 267.
Barbour's Bruce (Spalding Club edition), pp. 231, 247.
A writ by King Edward I., dated 8th November 1312, is addressed to the Sheriff of Edinburgh and Constable of the Castles of Edinburgh, Linlithgow, and Levyngston.

1334. Sir JOHN DE KINGESTON, *Keeper of the Castle, and Sheriff of the Shire of Edinburgh, with the Constabularies of Haddington and Linlithgow.*
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., p. 271.

1335. Sir JOHN DE STRIVELIN, *Sheriff of Edinburgh and Keeper of the Castle.*
Ayloffe's Calendar, p. 161-62.
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., pp. 382, 386, 387, 396.

1336. Sir JOHN DE STRIVELIN, *for life.*
Ayloffe's Calendar, p. 169.

1337. Sir JOHN DE STRIVELIN (20th July and 6th October).
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., pp. 437, 438, 441, 458, 496, 504.

1337. THOMAS KINGSTON, *Captain and Marshal.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 280.

A.D.

1338. Thomas de Rokeby, *Constable of the Castles of Stirling and Edinburgh.*
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., pp. 542, 545, 551, 554, 562, 568, 570, 580, 582, 584, 596, 601.

1340. Sir Thomas Rokesby, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 280.

1341. Sir Richard de Limoisen, *Governor.*
Archibald Douglas (brother of Lord Liddesdale), *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1346-48. Sir David Lindsay of Crawford, *Governor.*
Wyntoun's Cronykil, Tom. ii., p. 266.
Lives of the Lindsays, vol. i., p. 49.

1348. William Murray, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1358. Sir Robert Erskine of Alva, *Captain and Constable.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1360-61. John del Yle, *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 364, 379.

1362. Simon Reed, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., p. 397.

1364. Archibald de Douglas, *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 411-425.

..... Simon Reed, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 409, 425, 427.

1366. Simon Reed, *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 459, 461.

1367-8. Simon Reed, *Custos.*
Robertson's Index of Charters, 83.
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 476, 496.

1369-70. Simon Reed, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 525, 539.

1371. Thomas de Erskine, *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 4.

1372. William de Carnys, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 10.

..... John, Earl of Carrick (eldest son of King Robert II.), Steward of Scotland, *Keeper of the Castle.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 9.

1390. William Naper, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 167.

A.D.

1391. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 196.

1392. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., pp. 205, 259.

1394. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 275.

1395. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 289.

1396. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 345.*

1398. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
Walter Stewart, Lord of Brechin (second son of King Robert II.), *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., pp. 372, 378.

1399. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 444.

1400. DAVID, DUKE OF ROTHSAY, *Governor* (killed at Falkland in 1401).
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1401. WILLIAM NAPER of Easter Gamultoun, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1402. WILLIAM NAPER, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 504.

..... ARCHIBALD, EARL OF DOUGLAS, Lord of Galway, *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 504, 505.

1403. ARCHIBALD, EARL OF DOUGLAS, *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 551.

1405. ARCHIBALD, EARL OF DOUGLAS, *Custos.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 620.

1416. WILLIAM CRAWFURD, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1434. SIR WILLIAM DE CRECHTOUN, *Captain.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii, p. 239, 242, 297.

1436. SIR WILLIAM DE CRECHTOUN, *Lord High Chancellor, Governor.*
Crawford's Officers of State, p. 27.
Douglas' Peerage (Wood), vol. i., p. 609.

..... THOMAS CRANSTONE, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. iii. p. 357.

A.D.

1438. Sir William de Crechtoun, *Custos of the Castle and Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. iii., p. 375, 377.

1438. Thomas Cranstone, *Constable.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. iii., p. 399.

1443. Thomas of Cranstone, *Constable.*
Registrum Ecclesiæ Sancti Egidii, p. 70.

1450. ——— Cockburn of Newbigging, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1482. John Stuart, Earl of Athole, *Governor.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

1488. Patrick, Lord Hailes, *Governor.*
Registrum Magni Sigilli, lib. xii., Nos. 17, 18, 21, 39, cited in Douglas' Peerage (Wood), vol. i., p. 225.

1515. James Hamilton, Earl of Arran, *Governor.*
Pinkerton's History of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 148.

1524. ——— Creichton, *Captain of the Castle.*
Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i., part ii., p. 257-274.

1527. James Riddel of Cranston-riddell, *Governor and Captain.*
Memorials of the Castle of Edinburgh, p. 281.

LIST

OF

SHERIFFS AND SHERIFFS DEPUTE OF THE SHIRE OF EDINBURGH.

LIST OF SHERIFFS, &c.

A.D.

1143-1147. NORMAN *the Sheriff.*

Foundation Charter of Holyrood by King David I. Original in archives of the city.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 46, 47.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, p. 8.

1153-1165. GALFRID DE MAILVILLE, *Vicecomes de Castello Puellarum.*[1]

Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbotle, p. 122, xxxvi.

1153-1165. ROBERT, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*

Registrum de Dunfermline, p. 26.

1165-1214. HENRY DE BRADE, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*

Registrum S. Marie de Newbotle, pp. 12, 66.

1200. HENRY DE BRADE, *Sheriff.*

Crawfurd's MS., Gleanings from the Records, p. 24, cited by Chalmers, Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 574, Note (*a*).

1210 *circa.* THOMAS DE LASTALRIE, *Sheriff.*

Registrum de Dunfermline, p. 91.

1214-1249. JOHN DE VALLIBUS, *Sheriff.*

Crawfurd's MS., Gleanings from the Records, p. 130,
cited by Chalmers, Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 574, note (*b*).
Nisbet's Heraldry, p. 250, 2d series.
Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbottle, pp. 67, 90, 99, 124, 147, 157, 175.

1225 *circa.* JOHN DE GRAHAM, *Sheriff.*

Registrum de Dunfermline, p. 107.

1263. R. DE MUBRAY, *sometime Sheriff of Edinburgh and Haddington.*

The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., p. 38*, 39*.

1264. WILLIAM DE ST CLAIR, *Sheriff of Edinburgh, Linlithgow, and Haddington.*

The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 50*, 52*.

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[1] The *Castellum Puellarum* was here put for the town: the Town had not yet obtained the privilege of having its own sheriff. Chalmers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 574.

A.D.

1271. Sir William Sinclair of Roslin, *appointed Sheriff of Edinburgh for life.*

1278. He died about 1300.
1284. Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., pp. 58*, 75*.
1288. Registrum de Dumfermline, p. 52, 53, 147.
1289. Registrum Sancte Marie de Newbotle, pp. 10, 13, 76, 161, 165, 292.
1292. Registrum Cartarum Domus de Soltre, p. 28, 29.
Douglas Peerage, by Wood, vol. ii., p. 336.
Crawford's Peerage, 381.
Chalmers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 574.

There is reason to believe, says Chalmers, that Edinburghshire, during those times, extended over Haddington on the east, and over Linlithgow on the west. [Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 574.]

1296. Walter de Huntercombe, *entrusted by King Edward I. with the Castle of Edinburgh, and with the Sheriffdoms of Edinburgh, Linlithgow, and Haddington.*

Rymer's Foedera, vol. ii., p. 731.
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., p. 36.

1300. John de Kingeston, *Sheriff of Edinburgh* (October).

Palgrave's Documents and Records illustrative of the History of Scotland, p. 249.

1305. Ive de Adeburgh, *Sheriff of Edinburgh, Haddington and Linlithgow.*

Ryley's Placita, p. 504, cited by Chalmers, Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 575.

1313. Peter Luband, *Captain of the Castle, and Sheriff of Edinburghshire under King Edward* II.

Leland's Collectanea de rebus Britannicis, vol. ii., p. 546.
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., p. 111.
Barbour's Bruce (Spalding Club edition), p. 231, 347.
Chalmers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 575, note (*f*).

1328. Sir Robert de Meygneris, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*

The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. I. p. 16.

1329. Sir Robert de Meygneris, *Sheriff.*

The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i. p. 155.

1334. John de Kingeston, *Keeper of the Castle, and Sheriff of the shire of Edinburgh, with the Constabularies of Haddington and Linlithgow.*[1]

Rotuli Scotiae, vol. i., p. 271.

1335. John de Strivelin, *Sheriff of Edinburgh, and Keeper or Constable of the Castle.*

Ayloffe's Calendar, 161-2.
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., p. 382, 386, 387, 396.

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[1] In June 1334 Edward Baliol assigned to King Edward III. the town, castle, and county of Edinburgh, with the constabularies of Linlithgow, which were thereupon entrusted to John de Kingeston. [Rymer's Foedera, vol. iv., p. 615.]

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1336. JOHN DE STRIVELIN, *Sheriff, &c., for life.*
Ayloffe's Calendar, 169.

1337. JOHN DE STRIVELIN, *Sheriff, &c.* (20th July, 16th October).
Rotuli Scotiæ, vol. i., p. 437, 438, 441, 458, 496, 504.

1337. LAURENCE PRESTON, *Sheriff of Lothian.*
Fordun's Scotichronicon (Goodall's ed.), vol. ii., p. 326, lib. 13, c. 41.

1357. At the epoch of the restoration of King David II. (A.D. 1357), the sheriffdom of Edinburgh continued to extend over the constabularies of Haddington on the east, and of Linlithgow on the west. [Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 575, Note (*k*).]

1358. GILBERT FOULER, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., p. 314.

1362. ARCHIBALD OF DOUGLAS, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
Registrum Ecclesiæ Sancte Egidii., p. 8.

1366. ROBERT DE DALYELL, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., p. 459.

..... SIMON DE PRESTON of Gorton, formerly of Goverton, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 79.

1367. SIMON DE PRESTON, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., p. 476, 497.

1368-9. SIMON DE PRESTON of Gorton, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 84.

1371. THOMAS DE ERSKYNE, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii. p. 5.

1374. MALCOLM FLEMYNG, *Sheriff.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. ii., p. 55

1382. ADAM FORRESTER of Corstorphine, *Sheriff of Edinburgh and of Lothian.*
Registrum Episcopatus Aberdonensis (Spalding Club), vol. i., p. 142, 143.

1390-1406. WILLIAM LINDSAY, of the Byres, *Sheriff of Edinburgh and Constable of Haddington during his life.*
He died 1413-14.
Robertson's Index of Charters, 142.
Chalmers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 575, note (*n*).

1435. Sir HENRY PRESTON of Craigmillar, *Sheriff and Provost of Edinburgh.*
Macfarlane's M.S. Collections, cited by Chalmers, Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 576.
Mylne's Genealogical Collection, preserved in the Advocates' Library.

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1438. Sir WILLIAM DE CRECHTOUN, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
The Chamberlain Rolls, vol. iii., pp. 375, 377.

1444. Sir JOHN LOGAN of Restalrig, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*

1460-1488. As early as the reign of King James III. [1460-88], it became the practice of the Sheriffs of Edinburgh to attend the meetings of Parliament, as the highest court. [Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 576.]

..... SIR JOHN HALDANE, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
Nisbet's Remarks on the Ragman Roll. Heraldry, vol. ii., p. 10.

1482. ALEXANDER HEPBURN of Whitsum, *Sheriff of Edinburgh.*
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., pp. 143, 154, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160.
Hepburn continued for some turbulent years to be the Sheriff of Edinburghshire. [Chambers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 576.]

1483. AD. JOHNNESTOUN, *Sheriff-Depute of Edinburgh.*
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., pp. 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152.

1488. PATRICK, Earl of BOTHWELL, *appointed Sheriff of Edinburgh in fee and heritage.*
His jurisdiction does not seem to have extended to Linlithgow.
He died in 1508.
Registrum Magni Sigilli, lib. xii., Nos. 17, 18, 21, 39. Cited in Douglas Peerage (Wood), vol. i., p. 225.
Chalmers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 576.
Balfour's Practicks, p. 16.

1491. HENRY NAPIER, *Sheriff-Depute.*
Registrum Ecclesiæ Sancte Egidii, p. 170.

1508. ADAM, Earl of BOTHWELL, *succeeded his father as hereditary Sheriff of Edinburgh and Constable of Haddington. He was also Sheriff of Berwick.*
He was killed at Flodden in 1513.
Privy Seal Register, fol. 151.
Douglas' Peerage (Wood), vol. i., p. 227.
Chalmers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 576.

HENRY NAPIER,
JAMES LOGAN of Restalrig, } *Sheriffs-Depute.*
Chalmers's Caledonia, vol. ii., p. 576.

1513. PATRICK, Earl of BOTHWELL, *hereditary Sheriff.*
Succeeded his father when an infant, and died in September 1556.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. p.
Hailes' Remarks on the History of Scotland, p. 173.
Douglas Peerage (Wood), vol. i., pp. 227-229.

LIST

OF

I. THE PARLIAMENTS AND GENERAL COUNCILS OF SCOTLAND,

II. THE PROVINCIAL COUNCILS, &c., OF THE SCOTTISH CLERGY,

AND

III. THE CONVENTIONS OF THE ROYAL BURGHS OF SCOTLAND,

HELD AT EDINBURGH.

LIST OF PARLIAMENTS, &c.

DAVID I., April 27, 1124—May 24, 1153.

1139-50. An ASSEMBLY at the Castrum Puellarum, where a concord was made regarding the church of Eccles, between the bishop of St Andrews and the abbot of Dunfermline, "coram rege Dauid et Henrico filio ejus et baronibus eorum."

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 56, Appendix iv., p. 47.*

1165-1178. Robert, Bishop of St Andrews, held a DIOCESAN SYNOD in the church of St Cuthbert, at Edinburgh.

Dr Raines's North Durham, Appendix, pp. 83-85, cccclv., cccclvi., ccccIx, cccclxi.
Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, (Bannatyne Club,) pref. clxxxiii., footnote 2.

1177. August 1. The Cardinal-Legate Vivian Tomasi held a LEGATINE COUNCIL in the Castrum Puellarum.

Fordun's Scotichronicon, lib. viii., c. 25.
Chronica de Mailros, p. 88.
Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, pref., p. xxxvii.

1180. June 8. The Legate Alexis held a COUNCIL or ASSEMBLY of the Scottish clergy in the church of Holyrood.

Fordun's Scotichronicon, lib. vi., c. 36.
Chronica de Mailros, pp. 90, 91.
Hailes' Historical Memorials concerning the Provincial Councils of the Scottish Clergy, Annals, vol. iii., p. 229.
Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, pref., p. xxxviii.

WILLIAM, December 9, 1165—December 4, 1214.

1190. An ASSEMBLY at Edinburgh, in which the "prelati et proceres totius Scotie" gave 10,000 merks in payment of the King's ransom.

Fordun's Scotichronicon, lib. viii., c. 50.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 58.

ALEXANDER II., December 4, 1214—July 8, 1249.

1215. The King held a PARLIAMENT at Edinburgh after keeping the feast of the Epiphany at Stirling.

Fordun's Scotichronicon, lib. ix., c. 27.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 59.

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1228. October 8 (?). An ASSEMBLY at Edinburgh, in which judgment was given against Gillescop Mahohegen, "dominica proxima ante festum Sancti Dionisii in capitulo abbacie judicatum est de Gillescop Mahohegen per diversos judices tam Galwidie quam Scocie."

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 68, c. 3.

1239. October 19. The Cardinal Otho held a LEGATINE COUNCIL in the church of Holyrood.

Chronica de Mailros, p. 150.
Fordun's Scotichronicon, lib. ix., c. 54.
Chronicon de Lanercost, p. 48.
Hailes' Historical Memorials, &c., vol. iii., p. 239.
Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, pref., p. lviii.

ALEXANDER III., July 8, 1249—March 16, 1286.

1250. June 1. An ASSEMBLY at Edinburgh, where the King with the advice of his nobles, granted to the monks of Paisley the right of repairing their fish stank in the Leven, "de consilio magnatum nostrorum."

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i, p. 60, Appendix i., p. 83**.

1250. An ASSEMBLY at Edinburgh by the King and his magnates, in which the liberties of the church were ratified "in concilio apud Eddinburc celebrato nobis ac magnatibus vestris presentibus."

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 60, Appendix ii., p. 83**.
Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, pref., lxi., note 1.
Grubb's Ecclesiastical History of Scotland, vol. i., p. 328.

1255. An ASSEMBLY at Edinburgh, and one fixed to be held at Stirling, but prevented by the seizure of the King's person.

Chronica de Mailros.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., Appendix, v., p. 61.

1255. January 14. An ASSEMBLY at Holyrood, in which the King, with the advice of his magnates, settled a dispute between Dauid de Louchor, sheriff of Perth, and the Abbey of Dunfermline, "in pleno colloquio domini regis, habito . . . per commune consilium magnatum suorum ibidem existentium."

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 61, Appendix v., p. 84**.

1264. Two ASSEMBLIES at Edinburgh, none of the transactions in which are recorded.

Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i., p. 52*.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 61.

1284. June 28. An ASSEMBLY at the Castrum Puellarum, where Thomas de Lam birton resigned the land of Estir Crag of Gorgyn in presence of the King.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 62, Appendix vii., p. 86**.

1295. JOHN BALIOL held a PARLIAMENT at Edinburgh.

Chronicon de Lanercost.
Liber Cartarum Sanctæ Crucis, pref. 48.

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1295. January 10. CONVENTION of the burgesses of Berwick, Roxburgh, Edinburgh, and Stirling, at Holyrood Abbey.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland,, vol. i., p. 360.
Printed Records of the Convention of Royal Burghs of Scotland, vol. i., p. 501.

ROBERT I., March 27, 1306—June 7, 1329.[1]

1321. September 22. A COUNCIL appointed to be held at Edinburgh.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 64, Appendix vi., p. 119.

1326. March 8. A PARLIAMENT at Holyrood. Concord betwcen the Earl of Moray and Sir William Olyfant regarding the forfeited lands of William de Monte Alto.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 64, Appendix xvi., p. 123.

1327. February 28. A PARLIAMENT at Edinburgh, in which a transcript was made, under the Great Seal, of an indenture entered into between the King and his people, in a Parliament held at Cambuskenneth on 16th July 1326, by which indenture he confirmed their rights, and a tax was imposed for his support.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol i., p. 64, Appendix xvii., p. 123.

..... March 12. A PARLIAMENT at Edinburgh, when the treaty of Northampton was ratified.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 64, Appendix xvii.-xx., p. 124.

DAVID II., June 7, 1329—February 22, 1371.

1333. February 12. A PARLIAMENT of Edward Baliol at Edinburgh, ratifying the treaty of Roxburgh.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 65, 177.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, pref. p. 48.

1357. September 26. A COUNCIL at Edinburgh. Obligation of the three Estates for the ransom of the King.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 66, Appendix xi.-xiii., pp. 155-158.

Lord Hailes conjectures that a Provincial Council was held, simultaneously with a Council of the Estates, at Edinburgh on this date, to grant the obligation for the 100,000 merks sterling, which the clergy undertook to pay for the ransom of the King. [Historical Memorials of Provincial Councils of Scotland, in Annals of Scotland, vol. iii., pp. 248, 249.] But this conjecture is opposed by Chalmers [Caledonia, vol. ii., unpublished chapter, "On the King and Parliament of Scotland," p. 45, referred to by Dr Joseph Robertson in Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, pref., p. 76].

[1] "The Seinye" or Diocesan Synod of St Andrews seems, after the beginning of the 14th century, to have been usually held either at St Andrews or at Edinburgh. When the Synod sat at Edinburgh it assembled in the conventual church of Holyrood. The time of meeting was, as at St Andrews, immediately after Easter. [Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, pref., 184, footnote.]

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1357. January 20. A COUNCIL at Edinburgh, in which the King granted St John's Church of Ayr to the Abbey of Melrose, and confirmed its privileges.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 66, Appendix xvii.-xix., p. 162.

1358. August 31. A COUNCIL at Edinburgh, where the King made some grants to the Abbey of Melrose.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 66, Appendix xx.-xxi., p. 163.

1366. May 8. A COUNCIL at Holyrood. Deliberations regarding a peace with England. A voluntary assessment for the King's ransom granted, and a new coinage appointed.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 67, 139.
Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 110.

1367. January. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 67, 168.

1367. February 17. A COUNCIL appointed to be held at Edinburgh on this day.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 67, 168.

1369. September 16. A COUNCIL at Edinburgh, where the King granted a charter in favour of the Abbey of Melrose.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 67, Appendix xxxvi., p. 173.

ROBERT II., February 22, 1370—April 19, 1390.

1384. November. A COUNCIL at Holyrood. Several enactments passed relating to the execution of justice.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 69, 186.

1384. The Earls of Douglas and Moray, and other knights and squires of Scotland held a secret council in the church of St Giles, when it was arranged to invade the realm of England without the knowledge of the King of Scots, who was at the time in Edinburgh.
Froissart's Chronicles, by Lord Berners, vol. i., fol. 317.
Registrum Cartarum, Ec. S. Egidij de Edinburgh, pref., p. 26.

1385. April. A COUNCIL GENERAL at Edinburgh. Enactments regarding the defence of the kingdom, and the execution of justice.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 187.

1385. June 17. A COUNCIL GENERAL at Edinburgh. Enactments regarding the national money; and a treaty between the King and Barons of Scotland and "Jehan de Vienne Admiral de France et Lieutenant du Roi de France."
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 69, 189.

1388. December 1. A COUNCIL GENERAL at Edinburgh, when the three Estates elected the Earl of Fyfe "Custos Regni," and Alexander the Steward was deposed from the office of Justiciar.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 69, 191.

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1389. April 2. A PARLIAMENT at Edinburgh. Murdoch, son of the Steward, appointed Justiciar, "ex parte boreali de Forth."
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 69, 193.

ROBERT III., 19th April 1390—4th April 1406.

1394. August 31. A COUNCIL at Edinburgh, when the King granted a charter in favour of the monks of Melrose.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 70, Appendix ix., p. 219.

1399. February 10. A PARLIAMENT fixed to be held at Holyrood.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., pp. 70, 212.

1402. May 16. A COUNCIL-GENERAL at Edinburgh, when the King granted a remission to the Duke of Albany and the Earl of Douglas for the death of the heir apparent.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. i., p. 70, Appendix xiii., p. 220.

JAMES I., 4th April 1406—20th or 21st February 1437.

1426. May 13. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix iv., p. 26.

1428. July 17. A COUNCIL-GENERAL at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix v., pp. 26, 28.

1436. October 22. A COUNCIL-GENERAL at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., pp. 23, 24.

JAMES II., 21st February 1437—3d August 1460.

1437. March 25. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 31.

1438. November 27. A COUNCIL-GENERAL held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 31, 53.

1439. March 17. A COUNCIL-GENERAL held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix iv., p. 55.

1441. April 3. A COUNCIL-GENERAL held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix vi., p. 56.

1445. June 28, July 1. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix ix., x., p. 59.

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1449. January 19, 22, 24, 26, 31, and February 2. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 33, 37; Appendix xiii., xiv., p. 61, chap. xi., p. 62, 63; Appendix xviii., p. 64.

1451. June 28, July 1, 6, 8. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 39; Appendix xxii., p. 66; Appendix xxiii. to xxix., p. 67, 71; Appendix xxx., p. 71

1452. June 12, 14, July 8.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix xxxiii., p. 73; Appendix xxxiv., p. 73; Appendix xxxv., p. 75.

..... August 26.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 41.

..... March 21.—A COUNCIL GENERAL held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix xxxvi., p. 75.

1454. July 16.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 41.

1455. June 9.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 41, 42; Appendix xxxvii., p. 75.

..... August 4. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 42, 44.

1456. October 19. A COUNCIL-GENERAL held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 45, 47.

1457. March 6, 14. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 47, 52; Appendix xxxix., p. 78.

JAMES III., 3d August 1460—11th June 1488.

1462. October 19. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 83, 84.

1464. October 11. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 84.

1466. October 9, 13. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 85, 86; Appendix i., ii., p. 185.

..... January 31. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 86, 87.

1467. October 12. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 87, 88, 89.

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1468. ——— A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 91, 92.

1469. November 20 and 27. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 93, 97, 98; Appendix iii., p. 186.

1471. May 6, 11, and 13. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 98; Appendix iv., p. 187.

..... August 2, 8. A PARLIAMENT continued in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 101.

..... February 17, 26. A PARLIAMENT continued in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol ii., p. 102, 103; Appendix v., p. 188.

1473. July 23 and August 2. A PARLIAMENT continued in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 103, 106.

..... October 11. A PARLIAMENT continued in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix vi., p. 188.

1474. May 9. A PARLIAMENT held in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 106, 108.

..... October 9. A PARLIAMENT continued in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 108.

1475. November 20. A PARLIAMENT held in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 108, 112.

1476. July 1, 10, 15. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 113, 114, Appendix vii., p. 189, Appendix viii., p. 190.

..... October 4-7. A PARLIAMENT continued in Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 114.

1477. February 7-20. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix ix., p. 191, x., p. 192.

1478. April 6. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 115, 116.

..... June 1-12. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 116, 120.

..... November 20. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 120.

..... February 7. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix ix., p. 191.

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1478. March 1, 6, and 9. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 120-123.

1479. October 4 and 7. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 124, 128; Appendix xii., xiii. p. 193.

..... March 13. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 129-132.

1480. May 4. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh, and continued on June 5, July 3, August 2, October 2, November 6, January 15, February 12, March 19.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 129-132.

1481. April 2, 11, 12, 13, May 2, June 18, October 1, November 5, February 4. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 132-136.

..... March 18, 22, 23. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 136-141.

1482. December 2, 3, 11. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 142-145.

..... March 1. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 145.

1483. June 27, 28, 30, July 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 146-152.

..... February 16, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 153.

..... March 21. A CONVENTION OF BURGHS held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. vi., p. 803.
Council Records of Aberdeen.
Printed Records of the Convention of Royal Burghs, vol. i., p. 543.

1484. April 27. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 166.

..... May 17. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 166.

..... March 21. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 167.

1485. April 11. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 168.

..... May 9. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 168.

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1487. October 1. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 175.

.. ... January 11. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 180.

JAMES IV., 11 June 1488—9 September, 1513.

1488. October 6, 8. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 169, Appendix i., 269.

..... January 14. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 212.

1489. June 26. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 213.

..... Feb. 23. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 216.

1491. April 28. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix 223.

.. .. May 14 and 18. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix ii., iii., p. 270.

..... February 6. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 229.

. .... March 16. A CONVENTION of BURGHS appointed to be held at Edinburgh.
Council Records of Aberdeen, vol. vii., p. 243,
Printed Records of the Convention of Royal Burghs, vol. i., p. 304.

1492. May 7. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 231.

1493. May 8. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 231.

1494. November 27. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 237.

1496. June 13. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 237.

1503. March 11, 13. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 239, Appendix iv., v., p. 271.

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1504. June 4. A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 255.

1506. November 10. A CONVENTION of the Four Burghs held at Edinburgh.
Council Records of Edinburgh, vol. i., p. 28.
Printed Records of Convention of Royal Burghs, i., 505, 506.

..... November 24. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix vi., p. 274.

1509. May 8. A PARLIAMENTT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 267, Appendix vii. and viii., p. 274.

1512. Bishop Lesley and others refer to a Provincial Council as having been held this year in the Blackfriars of Edinburgh, but this is shown by Dr. Joseph Robertson to be a mistake.
Bishop Lesley's History of Scotland p. 84.
Hailes' Historical Memorials, vol. iii., p. 254.
Statuta Ecclesiæ Scoticanæ, pref. p. 110, footnote.

JAMES V., 9th September 1513—14th December 1542.

1515. May 8.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix i., p. 387.

..... July 12, 23.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 282, Appendix ii., p. 388.

1516. November 13, 14, 22.—A Parliament held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 283, Appendix iii, p. 388, vi., v., p. 389, iv., p. 393.

1517. May —.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix viii., p. 394.

1522. July 24.—A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 281.

1524. November 14, 16, 19.—A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 284, 288.

..... February 15, 22, 25.—A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 288, 291.

..... May 10.—A PARLIAMENT continued at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., Appendix ix., p. 395.

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1525. July 4 and 6, 10, 11, 17, 27, 30, 31. August 3. January 14, 15. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 291, 299, Appendix x., p. 396.

1526. June 12. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 300.

..... November 12 and 13. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 308, Appendix ii., p. 396.

1527. May 7. A PARLIAMENT held at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. ii., p. 318.

ABSTRACT

OF

CHARTERS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE CITY OF EDINBURGH.

* The asterisks denote those Charters or Documents which have not been found in the Archives of the City or are deposited elsewhere.

ABSTRACT OF CHARTERS, &c.

KING DAVID I.

[27TH APRIL 1124 TO 24TH MAY 1153.]

* [1.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE FIRST, under his Great Seal, to the Abbey of Dunfermline, of, *inter alia*, a house in the Burgh of Edinburgh. It is without date, but is believed to have been granted between the years 1124 and 1127.

The ancient Register of the Abbey of Dunfermline, preserved in the Advocates' Library at Edinburgh.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. I., Appendix i., p. 45.
Registrum de Dunfermelyn (Bannatyne Club), p. 3.

[2.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE FIRST, under his Great Seal, to the Abbey of the Holy Rood of Edinburgh, of a yearly rent from his Burgh of Edinburgh, of a toft of ground in his burgh of Edinburgh, of a piece of ground beside his garden under the Castle Rock, of a moiety of the tallow, lard, and hides of the cattle slaughtered for his household at Edinburgh, and of liberty to found a burgh (now known as the Canongate) between the church of Holyrood and his burgh of Edinburgh. The Charter is without date, but is known from the persons by whom it is witnessed and other circumstances to have been granted between the year 1143 and 1147.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City of Edinburgh.
Registrum Magni Sigilli Regum Scotorum, (Record edition), p. 185, Rot. IX., No. 14.
Acts of the Parliament of Scotland, Vol. I., pp. 46, 47.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis (Bannatyne Club), p. 3.
Facsimiles of the National MSS. of Scotland, Part I., No. 16.
Charters and other Documents relating to the City of Edinburgh, No I., p. 1.
Maitland's History of Edinburgh, pp. 144-147.
Inventory of City Charters, vol. iv., p. 327.

* [3.] RUBRIC or TITLE of the LAWS AND CUSTOMS OF THE FOUR BURGHS OF SCOTLAND, that is to say, Edinburgh, Roxburgh, Berwick, and Stirling, made by King David, as it

is written in the most ancient manuscript now preserved, the Berne Manuscript, among the Public Records of Scotland in Her Majesty's General Register House at Edinburgh.

Office copy of the Rubric certified by the Deputy Keeper of the Records of Scotland in the Archives of the City,
The whole code of the Burgh laws printed in the Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol, I., pp. 15-44 and in the Ancient Laws and Customs of the Burghs of Scotland (Scottish Burgh Records Society edition), pp. 4-58.
Precedence of Edinburgh and Dublin, p. 14.

KING MALCOLM II.

[7TH JUNE 1329 TO 22D FEBRUARY 1371.]

* [4.] CHARTER by KING MALCOLM THE FOURTH, called "the Maiden," under his Great Seal, to the Abbey of Dunfermline, of a toft in Edinburgh which had been previously possessed by Robert de Londoniis. The Charter is without date.

Registrum de Dunfermelyn, p. 26.

KING WILLIAM THE LION.

[9TH DECEMBER 1165 TO 4TH DECEMBER 1214.]

[5.] CHARTER OF CONFIRMATION by KING WILLIAM THE LION, under his Great Seal, to the Abbey of Holyrood, of all their possessions. This Charter is believed to have been granted between 1171-1177.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. II., p. 9.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, p. 22.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 327.

* [6.] CHARTER by KING WILLIAM, under his Great Seal, to the Abbey of Dunfermline, of, *inter alia*, a hundred shillings yearly from the ferme of the burgh of Edinburgh. The Charter is without date, but is known to have been granted in 1165.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. I., pp. 63, 64.
Registrum de Dunfermelyn, p. 28.
Precedence of Edinburgh and Dublin, p. 15.

* [7.] ACT OF KING WILLIAM, appointing two head Courts of Justiciary to be held annually in Edinburgh and Peebles. 1184.

Assise Regis Willelmi, c. 25, Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. I., p. 57.

KING ROBERT I.

[27TH MARCH 1306 TO 7TH JUNE 1329.]

[8.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE FIRST under his Great Seal, confirming King David's Foundation Charter of Holyrood [No. 2.]. This Charter is not dated, but is believed to have been granted between 1327-1329.

Original Charter in Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. III., p. 14.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, p. 74.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 328.

* [9.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE FIRST to the Abbey of Melrose of one hundred pounds from the fermes of the burgh of Berwick, or from the new customs of the said burgh, or if from any cause these should prove insufficient, then from the new customs of Edinburgh and Haddington. Dated at Arbroath, 10th January, in the twentieth year of the King's reign [1325-6].

Liber Sancte Marie de Melros (Bannatyne Club) Vol. II., 327.

[10.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE FIRST, under his Great Seal, granting to the Burgesses of his Burgh of Edinburgh the foresaid burgh of Edinburgh, with the Port of Leith mills and other appurtenances, to be held of the King and his successors with all the franchises which it possessed in the time of King Alexander the Third, for payment of fifty-two merks yearly. Dated at Cardross 28th May, in the twenty-fourth year of the King's reign [1329].

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. IV., p. 16.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 1.
Precedence of Edinburgh and Dublin, p. 16.
Local Report on Edinburgh by the Commissioners on Municipal Corporations in Scotland, p. 282.

KING DAVID II.

[7TH JUNE 1329 TO 22D FEBRUARY 1371.]

[11.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, confirming the Holyrood Charter of King Robert the First [No. 8], appointing the whole Abbey lands to be held in free Regality, giving the Abbot and Convent the chaplainry of the Chapel Royal, so that the Abbot should be principal chaplain. Dated at Ayr 6th June, in the fourteenth year of the King's reign [1343].

Original Charter in Archives of the City.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 329.

[12.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, confirming the Holyrood Charter of King Robert the First [No. 8]. This Charter is of the same tenor with the

Charter immediately preceding, and is dated at Dunfermline 30th December, in the fourteenth year of the King's reign [1343].

Original Charter in Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. V., p. 17.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 330.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, p. 89.

* [13.] PROCURATORY by the Burghs of Edinburgh, Perth, Aberdeen, Dundee, Inverkeithing, Crail, Cupar, St Andrews, Montrose, Stirling, Linlithgow, Haddington, Dumbarton, Rutherglen, Lanark, Dumfries, and Peebles, for themselves and all the Burgesses and Merchants of Scotland, empowering certain Burgesses of Edinburgh, Perth, Aberdeen, and Dundee to negociate and enter into obligations for the ransom of King David from his captivity in England. Dated at Edinburgh 26th September 1357.

Original Procuratory in the Record Office, London.
Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. I., App. 13, p. 157.
Fœdera (Record Edition), Vol. III., Part I., pp. 371-372.
Ancient Laws and Customs of the Burghs of Scotland, (Scottish Burgh Records Society) pp. 194-199.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. VI., p. 19.

* [14.] OBLIGATION by the Burgesses of Edinburgh, Perth, Aberdeen, and Dundee, as procurators thus constituted, for fulfilment of the treaty with England anent the release of King David, and particularly for payment of 10,000 merks sterling to the King of England, dated at Berwick-on-Tweed 5th October 1357.

Original Obligation in the Record Office, London.
Fœdera (Record Edition), Vol. III. Part I., pp. 377, 378.

[15.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, to the Burgesses and Community of the burgh of Edinburgh, of a piece of ground in the High Street, on the west side of the old Tron, going up towards the Castle, for the purpose of building a new Tron thereon. Dated at Edinburgh 3d December in the 36th year of the King's reign [1364].

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record Edition) p. 41, lib. I. No. 111.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. VII., p. 25.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 2.

[16.] PRECEPT by KING DAVID THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, directed to the Sheriff of Edinburgh and his deputies, commanding them to prohibit personally the holding of a fair at Newbotill as being contrary to the custom of the kingdom and prejudicial to the burgh of Edinburgh and its burgesses. Dated at Perth 12th November in the 39th year of the King's reign [1367].

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. VIII., p. 26.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 9.

* [17.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE SECOND to John Stewart, son to Walter Stewart of the customs of Edinburgh.

Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 49, No. 5².

* [18.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE SECOND, to William Baillie, of an annual furth of the customs of Edinburgh.

Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 50, No. 14.

* [19.] CHARTER by KING DAVID THE SECOND to John Edmunstoun of the Coronership of Edinburgh.

Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 66, No. 1².

KING ROBERT II.

[22D FEBRUARY 1371 TO 19TH APRIL 1390.]

* [20.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, to Adam Forrester, burgess of Edinburgh, of twenty merks sterling out of the fermes of the Burgh, in exchange for twenty merks formerly granted to him out of the customs of the Burgh. Dated at Dundee 28th December, in the ninth year of the King's reign [1379].

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record Edition) p. 152, Rot. V., No. 126.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. IX., p. 28.

* [21.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, to Adam Forrester, burgess of Edinburgh, of twenty merks sterling of the fermes of the Burgh, in exchange for the twenty merks formerly granted to him out of the customs of the Burgh. Dated at Edinburgh 4th July, in the thirteenth year of the King's reign [1383].

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record Edition), p. 167, Rot. VII., No. 32.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. X., p. 29.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 77.

* [22.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, to the Abbot of Holy Rood of a piece of land within the Castle of Edinburgh on which he might erect a house to which the monks and their servants and families might repair in time of peace and war. Dated at Perth 18th January, in the thirteenth year of the King's reign [1384-5].

Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, p. 99.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XI., p. 30.

[23.] CHARTER by JOHN eldest son of the King [Robert II.], EARL OF CARRICK, and Steward of Scotland (afterwards King Robert the Third), with consent of his Council, to the Burgesses of Edinburgh, so far as of good report and honest conversation, of the right to have and build houses in the Castle to which they might freely resort with their servants, families, and goods, without paying fees to the constable or porter. Dated at Edinburgh 4th July 1385.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XII., p. 32.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 11.

[24.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, to the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh and their successors, a of piece of ground sixty feet in length and thirty feet in breadth on the north side of the High Street, for the purpose of erecting thereon houses and biggings for the decoration of the Burgh. To be holden burgage for payment of a penny silver at Whitsunday if asked only. Dated at Edinburgh 25th July, in the sixteenth year of the king's reign [1386]. This Charter is endorsed "Carta funde de le Belhous." Charter of the site of the Belhouse.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XIII., p. 33.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 10.

* [25.] INDENTURE between Adam Forrester, Laird of Nether Libberton, and Andrew Dickson, provost of Edinburgh, and the Community of Edinburgh on the one part, and John Primrose, John of Scone, and John Squyer masons, on the other part, in regard to the building of five chapels on the south side of the Church of St Giles. This Indenture is dated at Edinburgh 29th November 1387, and has indorsed upon it receipts for partial payments.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii de Edinburgh (Bannatyne Club), p. 24.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XIV., p. 35.
Inventory of City Charters Vol. I., p. 78.
Maitland's History of Edinburgh, pp. 270-271.

[26.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, to Adam Forster of ten merks sterling out of the rents of the Burgh, which Janet Stury then received for her life. This Charter is dated at Stirling 25th February, in the nineteenth year of the king's reign [1389] and was registered as a Probative Writ in the Books of Session, 2d August 1709.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XV., p. 37.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I, p. 79.

* [27.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, to St Margaret's Chapel in the Castle of Edinburgh, of eight pounds sterling, furth of the customs of Edinburgh

for maintaining divine service in the said Chapel. Dated at Perth 14th February, in the nineteenth year of the king's reign [1390].

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record Edition), p. 197, Rot. X., No. 9.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XVI., p. 38.

KING ROBERT III.

[19TH APRIL 1390 TO 4TH APRIL 1406.]

* [28.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, confirming the Charter to St Margaret's Chapel, dated 14th February 1390 [No. 27.]. This Charter is dated at Edinburgh 3d December, in the first year of the king's reign [1390].

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record edition), p. 197, Rot. X., No. 9.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XVI., p. 38.

* [29.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, to Thomas de Moffat, of eight pounds of the great customs of the Burgh of Edinburgh, which were granted to Thomas de Moffat by King David and King Robert. Dated at Edinburgh 22d September, in the first year of the king's reign [1390].

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record edition), p. 188, Rot. IX., No. 19.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XVII., p. 42.

* [30.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, to the Abbey of the Holyrood, confirming the Charter by King David the Second to the Abbey, dated 30th December 1343 [No. 12]. This Charter is dated at Edinburgh 5th April, in the first year of the king's reign [1391.]

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record edition), p. 184, Rot. IX., No. 14.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, p. 104
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV. p. 330.

* [31.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, to Sir William Stewart, of Jedworth, of an annual pension during his life of forty merks out of the great customs of Edinburgh and Linlithgow. Dated at Perth 27th March, in the second year of the King's reign [1392].

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record edition), p. 204, Rot. X., No. 25.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XVIII., p. 44.

* [32.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, to Sir William of Lindesay of forty merks out of the great customs of Edinburgh and Haddington, redeemable as therein set forth. Dated at Edinburgh 2d January, in the second year of the king's reign [1392-3].

Registrum Magni Sigilli, (Record edition), p. 206, Rot. IX., No. 32.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XIX., p. 46.

[33.] CHARTER by Sir ROBERT LOGAN, Knight, Lord of Restalrig, to his neighbours the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh, whereby he (1) gave them full power and liberty to cast and carry away the earth and gravel lying upon the bank or shore of the Water of Leith for enlarging their Port of Leith whenever and as often as they pleased,—to place a bridge over the said water, and to moor ships to any part of his lands without the said Port; (2) granted to them all his ways, roads, and passages through his lands of the barony of Restalrig and town of Leith going to the said Port, with power to make new roads of sufficient length and breadth; (3) granted to them full liberty to carry their goods through his lands by their said roads for unloading ships and vessels; and (4) renounced for himself, his heirs, and successors, the right to retail wine, to bake bread for sale, and to keep and hold girnels for victual, and booths of merchandise, &c, which were contrary to the liberties and customs of the said Burgh. All which grants and concessions he warranted absolutely, under the penalty of £200 stg., to be uptaken by the said Burgesses and Community in name of damages and expenses, and £100 stg. to the fabric of the Church of St. Andrews, before the commencement of any plea. And he thereby submitted himself to the jurisdiction and compulsion of the Bishop of St. Andrews, or his official for the time being. The Charter is dated at Edinburgh 31st May 1398, and is registered as a Probative Writ in the Books of Session on 10th December 1731.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XX., p. 48.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I. p. 39, Vol. IV., p. 1.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 7, No. 10.

* [34.] CHARTER by KING ROBERT THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, to James Stewart of Kilbryde, and his heirs male, whom failing to John Stewart of Ardgowan of an annual furth of the Customs of Edinburgh.

Robertson's Index of Charters, p. 145, No. 11.

KING JAMES I.

[4th April 1406 to 20th February 1437.]

[35.] GRANT, under form of Instrument, by Sir ROBERT LOGAN, Knight, Lord of the Barony of Restalrig, to the Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh, for the service of the common weal of the Burgh, that a piece of ground in Leith, between the gate of John Petindrech and a wall then newly built on the shore of the Water of Leith, should be free to the said community, for placing their goods and merchandise thereon, and carrying the same to and from the sea, through the said ground in all time coming. Dated in the Tolbooth of Edinburgh, in the full Court there held, 27th February 1413-14.

Original Grant in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXI., p. 53.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 3.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 86.

* [36.] INDENTURE between Dene John of Leith, sometime Abbot of Holyrood on the one part, and the Alderman, Bailies, and others on behalf of the Community on the other part, whereby the said Dene John let to the said community for the space of five years the Canon Mills and pertinents, with the sucken rent and multures and all freedoms pertaining thereto. Dated at Edinburgh 12th September 1423.

Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, pp. 126-128.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXII., p. 55.

* [37.] OBLIGATION by the Burgh of Edinburgh to pay to King Henry the Sixth of England, the sum of 50,000 pounds of English money on account of the expenses of King James the First of Scotland, during his captivity in England, in the event of that sum not being paid by King James himself. Dated 16th February 1423.

Each of the Burghs of Perth, Dundee, and Aberdeen granted similar obligations,—those of Perth and Dundee, dated 20th February, and that of Aberdeen dated 18th February 1423.

Original Obligation in the Record Office, London.
Rymer's Fœdera, Vol. IV., Part IV., p. 108, and Vol. X., p. 326.
Rotuli Scotiæ, Vol. II., p. 241.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXIII., p. 56.

* [38.] LETTER by KING JAMES THE FIRST undertaking to indemnify these Burghs of the sum of 50,000 merks, for which they had become bound to the King of England. This letter is dated at Durham, 26th March, in the eighteenth year of the King's reign (1424).

Original Letter in the Archives of the City of Aberdeen.
Abredoniæ Vtrivsque Descriptio (Spalding Club), p. 45.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXIV., p. 61.

* [39.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE FIRST, under his Great Seal, whereby with consent of the Burgesses and Merchants of Edinburgh, and in augmentation of the fabric and reparation of the Port of Leith, he authorised certain tolls be uplifted of all ships and boats entering therein. Dated at Dunfermline 31st December 1428.

Inventory of Writs removed from the Charter House to the Town Clerk's Office in 1653, No. 94.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXV., p. 63.
Table of Tolls in Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 3, 4.

KING JAMES II.

[21st February 1437 to 3d August 1460.]

[40.] GRANT by Patrick Abbot of Holyrood and his Convent to their dear and well beloved brother of chapter Sir Robert Logan of Restalrig, and his heirs, of the office of Baillie of the lands

of Saint Leonards in Leith therein described, with the usual powers granted to a baillie of regality. Dated at their Abbey 27th March 1439.

Original Gift in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXVI., p. 64.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV. p. 117.

* [41.] LETTER constituting Sir John Logan of Restalrig, Sheriff-principal of Edinburgh. Dated 25th October 1444.

Abstract of Charters belonging to the City, and extant in the Lower Parliament House on 8th April 1724, prepared by John Cross or Corss, Keeper of the Laigh Parliament House, and presented by him to the City.

* [42.] LETTERS PATENT by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, whereby for the common good and public service, and also for the preservation and security of ships and goods coming into the Port of Leith, the want of repairing whereof had occasioned great damage through shipwreck, His Majesty, with consent of the Burgesses and Merchants of Edinburgh, granted during his pleasure the different taxes or customs therein specified on every ship entering the Port, for repairing and enlarging the same. Dated 25th September 1445.

Original Letters Patent in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXVII., p. 66.
Inventory of Writs removed from the Charter House to the Town Clerk's Office, in 1653, No. 95.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 4.
Table of Taxes or Customs in Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society,) pp. 7, 8.

[43.] GIFT by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Privy Seal, to the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh, of all right, property, and possession which he had to certain lands within the Burgh, which were in arrear of certain rents of the two years' finances of his predecessor. Dated at Edinburgh 8th September, in the eleventh year of the King's reign [1447.]

Original Gift in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXVIII., p. 68.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 80.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 80.

[44.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, in favour of the Provost, Baillies, Council and Community of the Burgh, whereby with the advice of his Council he granted that they should have and possess, in all time coming, in the burgh and territory thereof, yearly on the morrow after the Feast of the Holy Trinity [the Sunday after Whitsunday], and for eight days immediately following, a public Fair, beginning from mid-day of the said Feast, with the same privileges, prerogatives, liberties and customs as the said Community and Burgh possessed with reference to their Fair on the Feast of All Saints [1st November], or were in use to possess the

same of old, which Fair on the Feast of All Saints was nevertheless appointed to continue unaffected. Dated at Edinburgh 24th November, in the eleventh year of the King's reign [1447].

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXIX., p. 68.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 12.
Guthrie's Inventory of Charters, p. 8. (No. 12.)

[45.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, confirming the Holyrood Charters of King David the Second, 6th June 1343 (No. 11, *supra*) and of King Robert the Third, 5th April 1391 (No. 30, *supra.*) Dated at Edinburgh 20th April, in the fourteenth year of the King's reign [1450.]

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Book IV., Nos. 238-241.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, pp. 139, 140.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol IV., p. 330.

[46.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE SECOND under his Great Seal, confirming the Holyrood Charter of King David the Second, 30th December 1343 [No. 12, *supra.*] Dated at Edinburgh 20th April in the fourteenth year of the King's reign [1450].

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Book IV., Nos. 238, 239, 240, 241.
Liber Cartarum Sancte Crucis, p. 140.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., 331.

* [47.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, empowering the Provost and Community of the Burgh to fosse, bulwark, wall, tower, turret, and otherwise strengthen the Burgh in such manner as might seem most expedient to them. Dated at Stirling 30th April in the thirteenth year of the King's Reign [1450.]

Original Charter in the Archives in the City.
Charters relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXX., p. 70.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 23.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 24, No. 6.
Maitland's History of Edinburgh, p. 137.
Stevenson's Chronicles of Edinburgh, pp. 38, 39.

[48.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, whereby he granted to the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh the following privileges—viz., (1) that they should in all time thereafter be free from payment of the custom of salt, and of the skins of schorlings, skaldings, footfells, lentrinware, lamb skins, tod skins, calf skins, cunning skins, otter skins and fumart skins, and (2) that they might sell or exchange as well to strangers and unfreemen as to others, as well within the kingdom as without, the foresaid wares of salt and skins without any custom being paid by the

buyers except the small custom in use to be paid by strangers and unfreemen to the Burgh. Dated at Stirling 9th November in the fifteenth year of the King's Reign. [1451.]

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
MS. Registrum Magni Sigili, Book IV., No. 157.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXI., p. 71.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 13.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 27.

[49.] LETTERS PATENT by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, whereby he made perpetual the several duties payable at the Port of Leith specified in the Letters-Patent, dated 25th September 1445 [No. 42 *supra*], and empowered the same to be levied and uplifted by the Burgesses of Edinburgh and their successors, and collectors in all times coming. Dated at Edinburgh, 4th November in the eighteenth year of the King's Reign [1454.]

Original Letters Patent in the Archives of the City.
Charters &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXII., p. 74.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol, IV., p. 5.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 7, No. 4

[50.] LETTERS PATENT by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal and Sign Manual, in favour of the Burgesses, commanding his Great Chamberlain to cause the Court of Parliament of the Four Burghs of Scotland to be held yearly at Edinburgh in all time coming, in manner used and wont, and as had been ordained by King James the First of Scotland with advice of the Three Estates of the Realm. Dated at Edinburgh 5th November in the eighteenth year of the King's reign [1454.]

Original Letters Patent in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXIII., p. 76.
Precedence of Edinburgh and Dublin, p. 17.
Printed Records of the Convention of the Royal Burghs of Scotland, Vol. I., p. 542.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 31.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 7, No. 3.

* [51.] BOND by the Provost, Bailies, Council, and Community of Edinburgh to William Prestoun of Goirtoun, son and heir to the then deceased William Prestoun of Goirtoun, whereby, on the narrative that the deceased had at great cost and trouble procured the arm bone of St. Giles, and had left the same without condition to the Kirk of St. Giles of Edinburgh, they undertook within six or seven years to build "an Ile furth of our Lady Ile" where the deceased was buried, with a monument and altar, &c.; that whensoever the relic should be borne the nearest in blood to the deceased should bear it before all others; and that a chaplain should be appointed for five years to sing for him. Dated 11th January 1454-5.

Registrum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii, pp. 106, 107.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXIV., p. 79.

[52.] INDENTURE between the Provost Bailies Council and Community of Edinburgh on the one part, and Sir James Logan, Knight, and the inhabitants and indwellers of the Town of Leith upon the other part, for defending each other in their freedoms and privileges. Dated at Edinburgh, 12th January 1454-5.

Original Contract in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXV., p. 80.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 5.

[53.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE SECOND, under his Great Seal, in favour of the Provost, Baillies, and Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh, and their successors for ever of the valley and low ground lying betwixt the rock commonly called Cragingalt on the east, and the common way and passage towards Leith on the west (now known as Greenside) for performing thereon tournaments, sports and other just warlike deeds, at the pleasure of the King and his successors. Dated at Edinburgh 13th August, in the twentieth year of the King's reign [1456.]

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXVI., p 82.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 833.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 7, No. 5.

KING JAMES III.

[4TH AUGUST 1460 to 11TH JUNE 1488.]

[54.] PROMULGATION by Andrew, Bishop of Glasgow, of the Bull of Pope Pius II., dated 23d October 1460, authorizing the annexation of the Hospital of Soltray to the Collegeiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity. Promulgation made at Linlithgow on 6th March 1461-2.

Transumpt in the Archives of the City.
Charters of the Collegiate Churches of Midlothian (Bannatyne Club) pp. 57-63.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXVII., p. 84.
Charters relating to the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity, Edinburgh, No. I.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 176.

* [55.] LETTERS by QUEEN MARY OF GUELDRES, Widow of King James the Second, under her Great Seal, dated at Perth 25th March 1462, whereby for the causes therein set forth she craved James Kennedy Archbishop of St Andrews to confirm the founding and endowing of the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity; With Ratification and Confirmation of the said Archbishop of the said foundation and endowment; dated at St. Andrews 1st April 1462.

Sir Lewis Stewart's MS. Collections.
Charters of Collegiate Churches of Midlothian (Bannatyne Club) pp. 63-71.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXVIII., p. 96.
Charters relating to the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity, Edinburgh, No. II.
Maitland's History of Edinburgh, pp. 207-210.

* [56.] BULL by POPE PIUS THE SECOND, addressed to Queen Mary of Gueldres, confirming the annexation of the Hospital of Soltray to the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity of Edinburgh. Dated 14 Kal. Julii (18th June) 1462.

Theiner, Vetera Monumenta Hibernorum et Scotorum, No. 818, p. 439.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh.
Charters relating to the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity, No. III., p. 29.

* [57.] BULL by POPE PIUS THE SECOND, reciting the foundation by Queen Mary of Gueldres of the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity, Edinburgh, and confirming the annexation thereto of the Hospital of Soltray, and of the Chapel of Utherogall, in the County of Fife, upon the petition of the said Queen and her eldest son King James the Third. Dated 6 Idus Julii (10th July) 1462.

Theiner, Vetera Monumenta Hibernorum et Scotorum, No. 821, p. 442.
Munimenta Britannica ex Autographis Romanorum Pontificum deprompta, vol. xxxiv., p. 266 (MS. British Museum, addit. MSS. 15,351 and 15,400 Plut.)
Charters of the Collegiate Churches of Midlothian, p. civ.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XXXIX., p. 110.
Charters relating to the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity, No. IV., p. 35.

* [58.] BULL by POPE PIUS THE SECOND, granting a plenary indulgence to all who in a devout spirit of contrition visit the Church of Trinity College, Edinburgh, in the course of five years during the feast of its dedication on the 10th of July, or the following week, called its Octaves, and the period was to be farther extended every five years until fifty years had expired. One third of the offerings of each person during the Octaves was reserved for the Papal treasury, to assist in carrying on war with the infidels; the other two-thirds were to be applied towards completing the building of the Church itself. Dated 6 Kal. Septembris (27th August) 1463.

Charters of the Collegiate Churches of Midlothian, p. cv.
Munimenta Britannica ex Autographis Romanorum Pontificum deprompta, vol. xxxiv., p. 226 (MS. British Museum, addit. MSS. 15,351 and 15,400 Plut.)
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XL., p. 115.
Charters relating to the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity, No. V.

* [59.] CHARTER by KING HENRY THE SIXTH of England,[1] whereby on the narrative that he and his royal Consort Margaret, and his son Edward, Prince of Wales, with divers of his nobility having been expelled his kingdom of England by certain rebellious traitors, had on his arrival and during his long residence in Edinburgh been honourably received and with great humanity, and had been favourably entertained by the Provost and Community of Edinburgh, therefore he granted to the said Community and their successors full and free liberty to traffic in England as the natives thereof, and to pay no other duties for their merchandise than his subjects the citizens of London did. Dated 2d January, in the forty-first year of his reign [1463-4.]

Maitland's History of Edinburgh. p. 8, referring to the Charter as in the Archives of the City.
Arnot's History of Edinburgh, pp 11, 12.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLI., p. 119.

[1] This Monarch succeeded to the Crown of England on 1st September 1422. On 4th March 1461 he was deposed by Edward IV., but in October 1470 he recovered possession of the Throne, and resumed the Royal title which he held till the battle of Barnet, fought on Easter day, the 14th of April 1471, again drove him from the throne.

* [60.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, consenting, at the request of the Provost, Bailies, Council, Burgesses and Community of the Burgh, to the erection of St Giles into a Collegiate Church. Dated at Stirling 21st October in the seventh year of the King's reign [1466].

MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Book 7, No. 90.
Registrum Cartarum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii (Bannatyne Club), p. 112.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLII., p. 120.
Abstract of Charters by John Cross or Corss, as in No. [42]. P. 111.

* [61.] BULL by POPE PAUL II., granting on the petition of the Provost, Bailies, Councillors, and Community of Edinburgh, commission to the Bishop of Galloway and the Abbot of Holyrood, to erect the Church of St. Giles into a Collegiate Church. Dated at Rome 8 Kal. March (22d February) 1467.

Theiner, Vetera Monumenta Hibernorum et Scotorum, p. 455.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLIII., p. 121.

* [62.] ACT of PARLIAMENT of KING JAMES THE THIRD, enacting that there shall be but two Sessions, one at Edinburgh and another at Perth. This Act forms chap. 4 of the Acts passed at Edinburgh in 1468.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, vol. II., p. 92.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLIV., p. 127.

* [63.] BULL by POPE PAUL II., exempting, on the petition of the King and of the Provost, Bailies, and Community of Edinburgh, the Collegiate Church of St Giles, with its Clergy, from the jurisdiction of the Bishop of St Andrews, and subjecting the same directly to the Holy See, dated at Rome the day before the Kalends of May (30th April) 1470.

Theiner, Vetera Monumenta Hibernorum et Scotorum, p. 463.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLV., p. 128.

[64.] GIFT by KING JAMES THE THIRD, under his Privy Seal, whereby with advice and consent of his Council, for the repairing of the Port and Haven of Leith, and upholding the same, he granted to the Provost, Bailies, and Community of Edinburgh the customs and duties therein specified, to be raised and used by them and their successors in time coming. Dated at Edinburgh 16th November, in the twelfth year of the King's reign [1471].

Original Gift in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLVI., p. 133.
Inventory of City Charters, vol. IV., p 7.
Table of Customs and Duties in Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 25.

[65.] LETTER by KING JAMES THE THIRD, under his Privy Seal, setting forth that for the common profit, and for the zeal and love he had to the Burgesses and Community, he had empowered them to fosse, bulwark, wall, tower and turret the Burgh for the keeping and defence

thereof, in case their old enemies of England addressed them to invade the same; and therefore charging the whole burgesses, neighbours, and indwellers in the town, and also those who had lands, annuals, or possessions within it, (non-resident as well as resident), to contribute to the fortifying of the town according to the value of their rents, lands, possessions, annuals and goods within the burgh, and at the command of the Council and Community. The Sheriff and his deputes of Edinburgh, the Provost and Bailies of the same, were also required to compel and distrain those who refused compliance, and to cast down and remove all houses built upon the walls, in so far as might be necessary for strengthening the town and its defences. Further, all persons having tenements of land in the Burgh were charged to strengthen and fortify their head rooms in good and sure way, as might seem most expedient to the provost and council. All persons leaving the town with a view to evade liability for the burdens thus imposed on them were to lose the freedom thereof for themselves and their heirs, and their goods were to be arrested in payment of their proportion of the tax imposed upon them. Dated at Stirling 28th April, in the thirteenth year of the King's reign [1472.]

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLVII., p. 134.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 24.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 7. No. 6.
Maitland's History of Edinburgh, pp. 137, 138.

[66.] CHARTER of CONFIRMATION and MORTIFICATION by KING JAMES THE THIRD under his Great Seal, whereby he approved, ratified, confirmed, and mortified the several donations and gifts therein specified, to the Friars of the order of the Blackfriars and their Church in Edinburgh any time bygone. As also the King confirmed and mortified the Foundation of the said Church and situation thereof, with the buildings, &c., pertaining to the said Church, and generally all other donations and concessions of lands, tenements, annual rents and alms made and granted to the said Friars and their Church in any time bygone. Dated at Edinburgh, 14th May, in the thirteenth year of the King's reign [1473.]

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLVIII., p. 136.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. III. p. 101.

[67.] LETTER by KING JAMES THE THIRD, under his Privy Seal, ratifying certain Statutes made by the Provost Bailies and Council in obedience to the King's special charge, whereby for the honour profit and benefit of the Burgh and plenishing of void places therein, the markets of the burgh to be held in time coming within the same, upon the market days fair days and all other days needful, were appointed to be held and set as therein prescribed. By the said Letter his Majesty further charged his lieges and subjects, and specially the community and inhabitants of the Burgh, to observe and keep the said statutes, and to obey the Provost and Bailies in the settling and holding of the said markets. Dated at Edinburgh 3d October in the eighteenth year of the King's reign. (1477.)

Original Letter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. XLIX., p. 140.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., pp. 16-19.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), pp. 33, 34.
Maitland's History of Edinburgh, p. 8.

[68.] CHARTER by Mr WILLIAM FORBES, Provost of the Collegiate Church of Saint Giles, with consent of the Chapter thereof, whereby on the narrative that his parishioners had so greatly increased that when they died they could have no burying-place either within or without the Church in his parish, therefore he gave and granted to the Church a part of his yard lying contiguous to his manse beside the said church on the south side thereof, to be held in pure alms. Dated at Edinburgh 14th January 1477-8.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. L., p. 142.
Registrum Ecclesie Sancte Egidii, pp. 122, 124.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. III., p. 109.

* [69.] OBLIGATION by the Provost and the whole fellowship of the Merchants, Burgesses, and Community of the Town of Edinburgh, to repay to King Edward the Fourth of England, the sum which had been advanced by him on account of the dowry of the Lady Cicely his daughter, provided he should think it expedient to draw back from the proposed marriage between the Princess and the Prince James, eldest son and heir apparent of the King of Scotland. Dated at Edinburgh 4th August 1482.

Original Obligation in the Record Office, London.
Rymer's Fœdera, Vol. XII., p. 161.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LI., p. 146.

* [70.] INSTRUMENT upon the production of the foresaid Obligation to the Community of Edinburgh, by Garter, King of Arms, as ambassador of the King of England. Dated at Edinburgh 27th October 1482.

Original Instrument in the Record Office, London.
Rymer's Fœdera, Vol. XII., p. 167.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LII., p. 148.

[71.] BOND OF RELIEF by Andrew [Stewart] Elect confirmed of Moray, John Earl of Athol, James Earl of Buchan, Mr James Lindsay Dean of Glasgow, John the Ross of Halket, Knight, and John Stuart of Craigiehall, to the Provost, Bailies, Council, Merchants, and Community of Edinburgh, whereby on the narrative that the Burgh had constituted procurators to appear in the banks of Rome, Venice, Florence, Bruges, or others following the Court of Rome, and there or any other place needful, or amongst whatsoever Merchants, Scots, French, or Flemings, to bind them in the sum of 6000 Ducats of Gold *de Camera*, in case of the promotion of the said Bishop to the Arch-Bishopric of St. Andrews, or to any other benefice dignity or privilege; the said Bishop and other parties to the bond engaged to free and relieve the said Provost, Bailies, and Community of the payment of the said sum or any part thereof, and of any costs, damages, and expenses which they might incur in connection therewith. Dated at Edinburgh 8th November 1482.

Original Bond in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LIII., p. 154.
Inventory of City Charters, I., 81-93.

[72.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, whereby, in consideration of the faith, loyalty, love, good-will and cordial service which the office-bearers of the Burgh of Edinburgh, the Provost, Bailies, Dean of Guild, Treasurer, Common clerk, Councillors and the whole Community of the said burgh had, with his brother Alexander Duke of Albany, rendered to his Majesty, at the peril of their lives, by freeing him from prison in the Castle of Edinburgh, and of the singular love he had towards the said Provost, Bailies, Clerk, Counsellors and Community, and for their free labours and services done and performed to the King, His Majesty gave granted and perpetually confirmed to the said Provost, Bailies, Clerk, Council, and Community, and their successors, the office of Sheriff within the Burgh for ever, to be exercised by the Provost for the time as Sheriff, and by the Bailies for the time as Sheriffs-depute conjunctly and severally; with full power to hold Courts, to punish transgressors not only by banishment but by death, to appoint officers of Court, and to do everything else appertaining to the office of Sheriff; as also to apply to their own proper use the fines and escheats arising out of the exercise of the said office; in respect of which they were taken bound to cause a funeral mass to be celebrated in the Collegiate Church of St. Giles on the 3d and 4th days of August annually, for the weal of the souls of the King and his predecessors and successors. And in respect that the process of the Four Courts of the said Burgh was tedious and slow, the said Provost, Bailies, &c., were empowered to appoint and hold a peremptory Court of twenty-one days whensoever necessity required. Farther the King empowered the said Provost, bailies, &c., in all time coming, to frame make and ordain statutes and acts within the said Burgh for the good government and common weill thereof, and to punish the breakers thereof at their discretion. Dated at Edinburgh 16th November, in the twenty-third year of the King's reign (1482.)

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. X., No. 80; Lib. XVI., No. 57.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LIV., p. 157.
Precedence of Edinburgh and Dublin, pp. 18-22.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 33-39.

[73.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE THIRD, under his Great Seal, whereby, on the same narrative as that in the immediately preceding Charter [No. 72], he gave, granted, renewed and confirmed to the said Provost, Bailies, Dean of Guild, Treasurer, Common Clerk, Councillors and Community and their successors the customs and moneys arising from the Port of Leith, therein specially enumerated, and all other exactions, commodities, and rents, as well from the said Port as from the road of Leith and from the Burgh of Edinburgh, with the whole customs and privileges which they and their predecessors had before, and of which they were then in the peaceable possession and enjoyment. Dated at Edinburgh 16th November in the twenty-third year of the King's reign (1482).

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. X., No. 79.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LV., p. 165.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 8.
Table of Customs in Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh. (Scottish Burgh Record Society,) pp. 41-45.

* [74.] DECREE of the Lords of Council, finding that the customs of cattle and goods coming to the fair and market of the Burgh were due not to the Sheriff of Edinburgh to land, but to the Provost and Sheriff of the Burgh, and referring the Provost and Sheriff to fix certain places in the burgh for the market of nolt, sheep, and horses in time of fairs. Dated 10th November, 1487.

Balfour's Practicks, p. 84.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Record Society), p. 53.

KING JAMES IV.

[11TH JUNE 1488 TO 9TH SEPTEMBER 1513.]

[75.] RATIFICATION and CONFIRMATION by KING JAMES THE FOURTH, under the Great Seal, of an Act or Decreet of the Lords of Council, dated 25th October 1493, upon a complaint by the Provost, Bailies, Council, and Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh against David White and several other persons, residenters in Leith, in respect of their not having paid for two years bypast the anchorage customs and duties of their ships, and divers other goods which they should have entered, conform to the Town's infeftment, whereby they had incurred the penalty therein specified, viz.—escheat of one half of the goods unentered to the crown, and the other half to the town. The Ratification is dated at Edinburgh, 28th October, in the sixth year of the King's reign [1493.]

Original Ratification in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LVI., p. 172.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. IV., p. 118.

[76.] CHARTER granted by Mr WILLIAM FORBES, Provost of the Collegiate Church of St Giles, with consent of the Chapter thereof, whereby he gave to the Provost, Bailies, Council, and Community of the Burgh, parishioners of the said Church, the north part of his mansion and glebe lying next to the said Kirk, viz., the land and chamber of the Curate and the school below, with all their bounds and limits, extending from the said Church to the north gavel of the house called the stable, and thence directly westward to the lands of Alexander Gray and William Bigholm, and that in augmentation of the Church-yard of the said Church, and burying-place of the parishioners thereof, to be held in pure alms, for which the Council were to build a new convenient chamber for the curate, and a school below the same, as also to build a privy in the house commonly called the gallery, in a suitable place. Dated at Edinburgh, 30th July 1496.

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LVII., p. 174.
Registrum Ecclesie Sancti Egidii, p. 179.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. III., p. 110.

* [77.] DECREE of the Lords of Council finding that all strangers importing merchandice to Leith should enter the same and account therefor to the Burgh of Edinburgh, and should make no market thereof save in the said Burgh, both for the profit of the King's custom, and in

respect of the privilege and infeftment of free Burgh within the port of Leith given to the county of Edinburgh. Dated 23d February 1501.

Balfour's Practicks, p. 51.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 95.

[78.] TRANSUMPT of CHARTER by JAMES ARCHBISHOP of ST. ANDREWS, whereby with advice of the Prior and Chapter of St. Andrews, he annexed the Church of Dunnottar to the Collegiate Church of the Holy Trinity, for the support of two prebendaries to officiate in the said Collegiate Church, with the title of Dean of the said Church and Prebendary of Dunnottar respectively. Charter dated Edinburgh 14th November 1502. Transumpt dated St. Andrews 21st March 1525.

Original Transumpt in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LVIII., p. 178.
Charters relating to the Collegiate Church and Hospital of the Holy Trinity, No. VI., p. 44.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. V., p. 248.

[79.] LETTERS by King James the Fourth, under his Signet, with the advice of the Lords of his Council, granting permission to the merchants, inhabitants, and indwellers of Edinburgh and their servants to pass to Innerwickness, or any other parts thereabout, for recovering their goods and merchandise in the ship called "The Little Martin," lately stranded and broken there; and if they had communication with the King's rebels in passing, remaining, or returning, no crime should be imputed to them in consequence. Dated at Edinburgh 24th November, in the sixteenth year of the King's reign [1504.]

Original Letters in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LIX., p. 188.
Inventory of City Charters, vol. I., p. 84.

* [80.] LETTERS by KING JAMES THE FOURTH, under his Signet, addressed to the customers of the Burgh of Edinburgh, directing proclamation to be made at the market cross of the Burgh, prohibiting (1) the packing and peilling of goods or merchandise in Leith or Canongate, or the shipment of such goods until the same were seen and customed, and the customs thereof paid; (2) the sale of goods and merchandise imported into Leith by strangers until the same had been entered, and the duties applicable thereto had been paid to the town; (3) the export of goods or merchandise until the same had paid the customs exigible therefore, and until the shippers had received the cocquet thereof; (4) the sale to strangers in Leith of cloth, hides, wool or other customable merchandise, but that the same be sold in Edinburgh and not exported secretly. All under pain of escheat of the goods. Dated at Edinburgh 10th May, in the eighteenth year of the King's reign (1506).

Council Records of Edinburgh, Vol. I., fol. 24.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 109.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LX., p. 189.

[81.] LETTER of GIFT by KING JAMES THE FOURTH, under his Privy Seal and Sign Manual, whereby on the narrative that All Hallow Fair had been in time bygone proclaimed on All Hallow even, and then began, and so continued for eight days following, occasioning violation of the holidays that happened within the same, such as All Hallow day, Saul Mass day, and the feast

of the dedication of St. Giles Kirk, which fell yearly on 3d November, and also another fair held yearly at Trinity Sunday—His Majesty, for eschewing thereof, and for observing and keeping the festival and holidays in time coming, to the honour and love of God and all Saints, and for the common profit of the Burgh and inhabitants thereof,—granted and perpetually confirmed to the Burgh, and to the Provost, Bailies and Community thereof, his Sheriffs within the same, their free and public Fairs to be held annually, within the bounds of the Burgh, the said All Hallow Fair on 4th November, and for eight or fifteen days thereafter, and the said Trinity Fair on the Monday next after Trinity Sunday, and for eight days thereafter, with all and sundry customs, tolls, fees, privileges, freedoms, profits and duties used and wont thereof, both to the Sheriff within the Burgh and freedom thereof, and to the Bailies and other officers of the same, sicklike and as freely as they and their predecessors had enjoyed the same, and as freely as any other free Fairs were granted and holden by any other persons at any other town or place within the realm. And all and sundry His Majesty's officers, lieges and subjects were charged and required to answer and obey the Sheriffs, Provost, Bailies, and Officers of the said Burgh, in the peaceable holding and enjoying of the said public and free Fairs, under the highest pain. Dated at Edinburgh 2d November, in the twentieth year of the King's reign [1507].

Original Letter of Gift in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LXI., p. 191.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 14.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p 8, No. 13.

* [82.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE FOURTH, under his Great Seal, in favour of the Provost, Bailies and Council of the Burgh of Edinburgh, whereby he gave them full power to set or feu the common mure and common myre to any person whom they might think expedient for augmenting their common good, provided that the person to whom the said lands might be so set were subject to the jurisdiction of the Burgh; and also granted the said lands for the building of houses, and the making of policies thereupon, provided they were noways prejudicial to the town of Edinburgh. Dated at Edinburgh 6th October 1508.

MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. XVI., No. 56.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LXII., p. 193.
Abstract of Charters by John Cross or Corss [as in No. 42.]
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 7, No. 7, p. 21, No. 5, p. 111.

[83.] ORDER by KING JAMES THE FOURTH, under his Signet, to the Provost, Bailies, Council and Community of Edinburgh, narrating that they had, at the King's request set one of their common shops in the Bell-house to William Dun, goldsmith, for the exchange of gold and silver, but that he had not furnished or occupied the shop, and had made his residence in other parts of the kingdom. The King, therefore, specially requests the Magistrates to let the shop, which was known in his grandfather's time as an apothecary's shop, to Mr Stephen, apothecary, to be used by him with his materials and spicery for the ready service of His Majesty and his lieges. Dated at Edinburgh 2d January, in the 21st year of the King's reign [1509.]

Original Order in the Archives of the City.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 125.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 85.

[84.] CHARTER of CONFIRMATION by KING JAMES THE FOURTH, under his Great Seal, whereby His Majesty, with the advice and deliberation of the Lords of his Council, for the love and favour which he had to the Provost, Bailies, Council, Burgesses and Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh, and for their good, faithful and free service daily done to him, and for certain other thankful and reasonable considerations, ratified, approved, and perpetually confirmed to the said Provost, Bailies, &c., for the time being and their successors; (1) Charter by Sir Robert Logan of Restalrig, dated 31st May 1398 [No. 33]; (2) Charter by King James the Third of the Sheriffship, dated 16th November 1482, [No. 72] and (3) Charter by King James the Third of the Customs, &c., of Leith, dated 16th November 1482, [No. 73] with the infeftments therein contained. Dated at Stirling 9th March, in the twenty-third year of the King's reign [1510.]

Original Charter in the Archives of the City.
MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. XVI., No. 57.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LXIII., p. 196.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 38.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 39.

[85.] CHARTER by KING JAMES THE FOURTH, under his Great Seal, whereby he granted to the Provost, Bailies, Council, and Community of the Burgh of Edinburgh for the time, and to their successors, the lands and harbour of Newhaven lying and bounded as therein contained, with the haven silver, other profits and duties appertaining thereto, with all and sundry liberties and immunities therein contained. Dated at Stirling 9th of March, in the twenty-third year of the King's reign [1510.]

Extract of Charter in the Archives of the City.
MS. Registrum Magni Sigilli, Lib. XVI., No. 58.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LXIV., p. 198.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. V., p. 407.
Guthrie's Inventory of City Charters, p. 3, No. 4.
Abstract of Charters by John Cross or Corss, View of Book of Charters, as in p. 111.

KING JAMES V.

[9TH SEPTEMBER 1513 TO 16TH DECEMBER 1542.]

* [86.] DECREE of the Lords of Council, finding—(1.) That no indweller of Leith or other unfreeman should buy any staple goods imported by strangers into Leith or any other port within the freedom of Edinburgh, until the goods were entered in the books of the Burgh, and the King's officers had taken as much thereof as was necessary for His Majesty's "awin proper use allanerlye not abydened upon making of pryces thairof." That thereafter the officers of the Burgh should make prices conform to the Acts of Parliament and laws of the Realm; that the King's officers should then "pay as the prices ar maid," and that the Lieges should have their parts of all such goods at the same price. (2.) That no such indweller or unfreeman should buy any fish entering the Port of Leith or other port within the freedom of Edinburgh, or salt and peill the same, nor export the same to England or elsewhere, "except the King's Comptroller, wha may tak

samekle of the premisses, and use and dispose the samin in manner foresaid, as is necessar to the Kingis use allanerlie;" and, (3.) That no such indwellers nor unfree persons might make market of any goods within the freedom of Edinburgh, but within the said Burgh only. Dated 7th July 1517.

Balfour's Practicks, p. 51-52.
Acta Dominorum Concilii, vol. xxx., fol. 65.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 168.

* [87.] DECREET of the Lords of Council in favour of the Burgh of Edinburgh, against Robert Barton, indweller in Leith, and Comptroller of umquhile King James the Fifth, discharging him and others dwelling in Leith from decerning the inhabitants of Leith to desist from buying wool, hides, skins, cloth, and all merchandise in the country from unfreemen, and that all such merchandise be brought to Edinburgh, and there coft from the burgesses; and in like manner to desist from all packing and peiling within Leith, but within Edinburgh, and to pay their customers in Edinburgh for the same; and also decerning the whole inhabitants from buying wine, coals, victual, timber, pitch, tar, lint, and other goods coming to Leith by strangers, until first they make entry in the town's books, and be controlled there, and other officers be satisfied for the King's use; and also decerning the said inhabitants from all buying of killing, herings, selches, and other fishes coming within Leith, and peeling and salting of the same, and sending the same into England or other foreign parts. Dated at Edinburgh 16th November 1518.

Acta Dominorum Concilii, vol. xxxi., fol 184.
MS. Collection of Sir Thomas Hope of Kerse, fol. 17.
Morrison's Dictionary of Decisions of the Court of Session, No. 1902.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 178.

(88.) LETTERS under the Signet, directed by the Regents of the Kingdom and the Lords of Council, to the Provost and Bailies of the Burgh of Edinburgh whereby on the narrative that it had been ordained by the said Regents and Lords, that all placks stricken during the reigns of the late and present Kings should be accepted by the lieges notwithstanding the metal of which they were made, and that false placks having been coined, searchers had been appointed in every Burgh to clip and destroy all false placks and to pass all good placks, which should thereafter be accepted by the lieges under pain of punishment to the death; it was arranged that two timber shops should be erected, one in the Meal Market, and the other betwixt the Tron and the Fish Market, in which shops the searchers should daily sit, and the Provost and Bailies were required, along with certain other persons named, to accept the office of searchers, and put the said Letters to due execution in all points. Dated 8th September in the fourth year of the King's reign [1519.]

Original Letters in the Archives of the City.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 190.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 93.

* (89.) DECREE of the Lords of Council and Session, finding in the same terms as the Decree dated 7th July 1517, No [86]. Dated 19th November 1519.

Balfour's Practicks, p. 51-52
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 192.

[90.] BOND of MAINTENANCE by James Earl of Arran, Lord Hamilton, one of the Regents of the Kingdom, Lieutenant of the Mers and Lothian, and Warden of the East Marches, whereby he bound and obliged himself and his kin friends and servants to the Provost, Bailies, Council, and community of Edinburgh for amity and concord to be had between them for ever, that the said Earl should defend the said Provost, &c., and take their part in all just and lawful actions against whomsoever should unjustly invade them, and that the said Provost, &c., should be harmless and skaithless of the said Earl and his friends of deadly harm or otherways according to law. Dated at Edinburgh 20th January 1520.

Original Bond in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LXV.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 95.

* [91.] DECREE of the Lords of Council, finding that the Provost, Bailies, Council, and Community of Edinburgh had good right to buy, sell, or otherwise intromit with ships of war belonging to any strangers, and coming within the road or port of Leith, and to buy all such goods and merchandise as were imported by strangers, to the exclusion of the people of Leith, who had no power to buy or intromit therewith. Dated 24th January 1522.

Acta Dominorum Concilii, vol. XXXIII, fol. 125.
Balfour's Practicks, p. 51.
MS. Collection of Sir Thomas Hope of Kerse, fol. 17.
Morrison's Dictionary of Decisions of the Court of Session, No. 1903.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 210.

* [92.] DECREE of the Lords of Council, finding that the Water Bailie of Edinburgh might hold his Courts upon the Shore of Leith, under the stair of the King's Work. Dated 29th October 1524.

Balfour's Practicks, p. 52.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 220.

* [93.] ACT of the PARLIAMENT of KING JAMES THE FIFTH, against shooting guns from the Castle to the injury of the lieges, against removing artillery and military stores therefrom, and against admitting guns thereto without the authority of the Lords chosen of Council. Dated at Edinburgh 25th February 1524.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. II., p. 290, Sec. 11.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 221.

[95.] LETTERS directed to George, Abbot of Holyrood, Keeper of the Privy Seal, under the Signet, by deliverance of the Lords of Privy Council, narrating that His Majesty, with advice and consent of these Lords, considering the good, faithful, and free service done by the Provosts, Bailies, Council and Community of Edinburgh from the time of his father's death, and the great loss, trouble, and wrath of the nobility with which they were pressed down on account of the King's service, had remitted to the Provost, Bailies and whole community of the said Burgh, and to every one of them then actually dwelling within the Burgh, all rancour of mind and action towards them for their treasonable insurrection against the deceased John Lord Fleming, High

Chamberlain, when sitting in judgment within the Tolbooth of the Burgh in the execution of his office; and also for their treasonable uprising and convocation against the Lord Chancellor and Lords of Council, and resisting James, Earl of Arran, Lord Hamilton, from entering the Burgh, and beating him back from the Netherbow, he being at the time his Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant and Provost of the Burgh; and for all other crimes and offences committed by them or any of them against the King's Person, murder, burning, and common theft excepted; and requiring the said Keeper of the Privy Seal to direct a precept under the said Seal to the Chancellor for making out Letters of Remission under the Great Seal, to the said Provost, Bailies, &c., upon the premises in due form of chancellary. Dated 27th January, in the thirteenth year of the King's reign [1525.]

Original Letters in the Archives of the City.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 224.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 85.

* [96.] ACT of the PARLIAMENT of KING JAMES THE FIFTH, whereby on the narrative of the great repair to Edinburgh of the lieges and other strangers, and of the necessity for providing them with "breid gude and sufficient stuff," Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in each week were appointed to be market days for the sale of bread; and Sunday, Monday, and Thursday weekly were appointed to be market days for the sale of flesh, by all the lieges both in Burgh and to land. Dated at Edinburgh 24th November 1526.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. II., p. 314, Sec. 2 and 3.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 228.

* [97.] ACT of the PARLIAMENT of KING JAMES THE FIFTH, whereby on the narrative of the great oppression committed and daily done by the Malt Makers of Leith upon the lieges through the exorbitant dearth raised by them, and of their causing through the whole realm, the Provost of Edinburgh, the Justice acting for the Lord Justice-General, and the Lord Justice-Clerk were appointed to put the said malt makers to the knowledge of an assise for common oppression, and if convicted to punish them according to law. Dated at Edinburgh 24th November 1526.

Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, Vol. II., p. 315, Sec. 8.
Extracts from the Records of the Burgh of Edinburgh (Scottish Burgh Records Society), p. 229.

[98.] REMISSION granted by KING JAMES THE FIFTH, under his Great Seal in the terms authorised by the Letters dated 27th January 1525 [No. 95.] Dated at Edinburgh 22d May in the fourteenth year of the King's reign [1527.]

Original Remission in the Archives of the City.
Charters, &c., relating to the City of Edinburgh, No. LXVI.
Inventory of City Charters, Vol. I., p. 97-99.